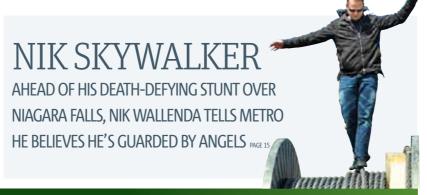


Art that's in the box

Two Calgarians have created an interactive way to let everyone know what's going on in the local arts scene PAGE 8





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BROKEN LANCE?

Lance Armstrong competes in the Ironman 70.3 Panama triathlon in Panama City. The U.S. Anti-Doping Agency is bringing charges against the seven-time Tour de France winner, questioning how he achieved those famous cycling victories. Armstrong, who retired from cycling last year, could face a lifetime ban from the sport if he is found to have used performance-enhancing drugs. Story, page 52. ARMILEO BRANCOTHE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Green-cart pilot nearly halves household trash

40% diverted from landfills. Supporters
of the project say early
results justify citywide
compost offering



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Taking out the trash is quickly becoming a thing of the past for residents of some Calgary communities

Data provided by Ald. Brian Pincott and confirmed by city officials indicates the four areas of the city involved in the greencart pilot project have cut down

Pool party

make a splash PAGE 36

their garbage tonnage by 40 per cent in less than three months. The pilot has seen 7,500 homes collect organic waste in

The pilot has seen 7,500 homes collect organic waste in kitchen pails and yard bags that are then left out for city crews to haul away for weekly composting. So far, 378,000 kilograms of food and yard waste has avoided city landfills.

"I am pleased and surprised to see how much it is ramping up," Pincott said. "The green-cart approach is one that people can easily understand and easily embrace, and that's what we're seeing."

The year-long pilot, which began in March, will be used to determine whether the greencart project is a good idea for the entire city. The communhe goal

80%

The green-cart pilot is part of the city's goal to divert 80 per cent of waste from landfills by 2020.

ities involved now also see their black bins, reserved for noncompost waste, only picked up twice a month as opposed to weekly.

Patricia Cameron, executive director of Green Calgary, only learned of the project's results to date on Wednesday.

"Wow, that's so awesome.... There's a lot of pent-up demand," she said.

Celebrating dad's big day

Make this year's Father's Day extra special with our gift guide PAGFS 41-50



Face without a name

The Alberta Medical Examiner is asking the public to help identify the body of a man found dead at Sun Life Plaza in April PMGE 4



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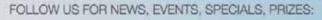






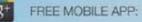
























Investigation

Police probe alleged attempted abduction

Calgary police are investigating an alleged at-tempted child abduction in the city's southeast Wednesday afternoon.

According to police, a five-year-old girl was walking to school during the lunch hour in the 1300 block of 41st Street Southeast when she was approached by a man who allegedly grabbed her by the stomach and placed his hand over her mouth.

The girl, who lives in the area, broke free and ran to a nearby school.

Police Insp. Paul Stacey said they're looking for possible witnesses, but have not found conclusive evidence of the girl's claim.

"We are just out there doing our due diligence on this," he said.

But the news isn't comforting to mother Cynthia Redwood, who is still adjusting to her new

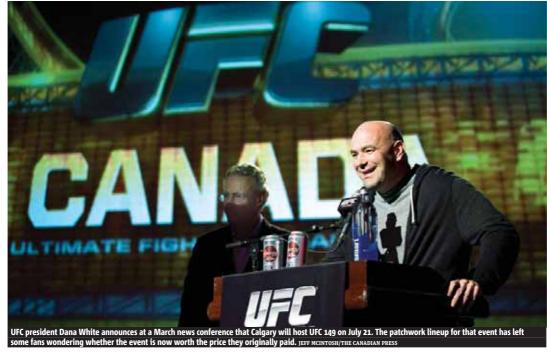
neighbourhood. "It's terrifying. I don't like it at all," she said.

Two of her children are close to the age of the alleged victim.

"I don't even let my kids go out there without me anyways, and now, hearing that, I don't want them to go out at all." Police are attempting

to locate the suspect, described as having a dark complexion and white hair. He was wearing a red shirt with black buttons, black pants and running shoes with flames on them. He was also wearing sunglasses.
Anyone with infor-

mation should contact Crime Stoppers. TESSA CLAYTON/FOR METRO WITH FILES FROM JEREMY NOLAIS/



FC fans let down y card changes

Lineup. Several substitutions have angered those who bought tickets



KATIE TURNER

UFC fanatic Thomas Chiang was thrilled when he found out a fight would be coming to Calgary this summer. Now, he says, it's not even worth

watching on pay-per-view.
Chiang and 10 friends
bought tickets, at a total cost of more than \$600, because they were under the impression that Jose Aldo would face Erik Koch in a featherweight title fight.

After Aldo withdrew due to injury, the card for the July 21 event changed. It now features bantamweight fighters Urijah Faber and Renan Barao.

The battle between Thiago Silva and Mauricio (Shogun) Rua was also scratched because Silva was injured.

"I'm really only going be-cause I have the ticket," said Chiang. "Now, nobody wants

to go."

Edmonton fan Matt Sinclair has already put his tickets up for sale and said he'd rather catch the fight in a pub.

"I feel pretty gutted," he said. "I feel like getting UFC 149'd is a catchphrase now, the event is so bad.'

UFC director of Canadian operations Tom Wright said that, unfortunately, it's the nature of the sport.

"We're disappointed that these things happen, but it's a reality in our sport that athletes get injured," he said. "When the doors open and people come in to Scotiabank Saddledome, they're going to be entertained."

Fellow fighting fan Dan Cruickshank said he thinks the UFC overpromised and underdelivered.

"I understand it happens, but I think Calgary deserves better?

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- Announcement. The UFC made the announcement in March that events would be coming to Calgary, Toronto and
- Lineup. Hundreds of fans lined up outside Flames Central to get a snot at the announcement
- Timing. The event will take place the week after Stampede.



On the web

So a wildfire walks into a bar...

In Colorado, wildfires have scores of residents fleeing their homes. As they wait out the flames, some are trying to keep up spirits by way of hu-mour and charity. Watch at metronews.ca

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Public help sought in ID'ing man found dead in Calgary



John Doe. Province releases photos in uncommon plea to identify man who was thought to be homeless



LAURIE CALLSEN Metro in Edmonto

The Alberta Medical Examiner is hoping a track record of past successes will help in their plea for the public's help in identifying a man found dead in Calgary in April.

The man, found April 3 at the Sun Life Plaza at 112-4th Avenue S.W. in Calgary, was wearing an aqua-blue coat, grey hoodie, beige sweater, a white T-shirt, blue jeans and white sport shoes. Investigators believe he was homeless.

Alberta chief medical examiner Dr. Anny Sauvageau said it's very rare for the province to resort to public assistance to identify a body, but have had success when they have come forward with public pleas.

forward with public pleas.

"We are hoping someone might recognize this individual," said Sauvageau. "This is extremely rare. The last time we asked for the public's assistance was in 2009. It is very rare that we have to do that. When we do so, it is because it is the last resort."

In 2007, Douglas Porter was identified after media coverage led the province to his dental records. Porter was found in August on the bank of the Bow

Identifying features:

- John Doe was believed to be six-foot-one and 128 pounds.
- He had brown eyes and brown hair.
- He had no visible tattoos

River, near Calgary's Zoo Island. Despite this success, the province hasn't been able to contact his family.

The province hopes to bring closure to the most recent John Doe's family once he is identified. Anyone with information

is asked to call the medical examiner office in Calgary at 403-297-8123.

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The man found outside of Sun Life Plaza April 3. CONTRIBUTED

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"This is extremely rare.... When we (ask for the public's assistance) it is because it is the last resort."

Dr. Anny Sauvageau, Alberta chief medical examiner.

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Edmonton parents charged in alleged child-abuse case

Twin girls. Homicide investigators called in as toddler is placed on life support



Child-abuse charges were laid against an Edmonton couple after police discovered their twin girls in emaciated condition, with one of them clinging to life.

of them clinging to life.

Paramedics responded on May 25 to a heart-attack call on the south side of the city. When they arrived at the townhouse, they found an undernourished two-

year-old girl suffering from severe head injuries, police said

Her twin was nearby, also injured. Paramedics revived the girl, but she is on life support, police said. Homicide investigators have been called in.

On Wednesday, Edmonton police laid several charges against a city couple, in-

cluding aggravated assault, criminal negligence causing bodily harm and failing to provide the necessities of life. The girls weighed 13 and 16 pounds; healthy children at that age should weigh between 26 and 28 pounds, the police say.

The townhouse complex where the children lived is tidy but low-rent.

Farah Mohamed, who lives next door to the family, said he rarely saw the children and the immigrant couple.

"In the two years they lived there, I saw them maybe two days," he told Metro. Mohamed said he'd never heard noises from the house, but the police had visited the home at least

once before

The weed-infested backyard shows no signs of children's playthings or activity.

The names of the accused cannot be released, so as to protect the identities of the children.

A third child, a boy, was unharmed and is in foster care.



Fire chief breaks ground for new Calgary southwest station — with a little help from friends

Calgary Fire Department Chief Bruce Burell, left, MLA Dave Rodney and Ald. Diane Colley-Urquhart pose after signing their names into a concrete block to mark the groundbreaking of the new Evergreen Fire Station. To be built in southwest Calgary, it will serve more than 57,000 citizens in the communities of Bridlewood, Evergreen, Millrise, Shawnee Slopes, Shawnessy and Somerset. CELESTE DE MUELENAERE/FOR METER

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Bringing art to the 'burbs

Interactive initiative.

Art Box aims to connect Calgarians with their local art scene beyond the city's downtown core

TESSA CLAYTON

Ever wondered what's going on in the arts scene around

you, but don't know where to go to find out?

Two enterprising Calgarians think the answer may lie in Art Box — a site-specific piece of art with an interactive touchscreen that will fill potential art-goers in on what's happening in the creative community around them.

Artists will upload content about an event to the system, where the listing will appear until the event is over.

"When you're on there, you can download all that information to your phone by QR code or see what's on just in your community or buy tickets," explained Matthew McKinney, one of the people behind the project.

McKinney, an actor, said Art Box aims to bridge the disconnect between the art community and newcomers to the scene while also creating awareness about local suburban events at the same time

Out of the box

"By going out to the suburbs, we're going to them and not expecting them to find out what's happening on their own."

Matthew McKinney, one of the artists behind the proposed Art Box initiative

Art Boxes would also be available in the city's core,

but McKinney believes focusing on hyper-local events will help with the development of Calgary's ever-growing arts scene.

McKinney hopes to launch the first Art Box at the Calgary Fringe Festival, but still needs donations to create the prototype.

The creators have also applied for grants to fund the project.

To submit a design or donate to the project, visit Art Box Calgary's Facebook page.

Pilot project

Pop-up parks coming to city streets

Calgary communities lacking park space may soon have an alternative, as the city plans to pilot a new

street-park program.
The term sPark, or
street park, was first used in the Centre City Plan in 2007, and officials say they are hoping to launch Calgary's first sPark this summer.

"The concept is to convert a street environment into a temporary public space," said Dawn Thome, project manager for Centre City Implementation.

Thome said the pilot, which will likely be confirmed in the coming weeks, would close off a street with low traffic volume for four to six weeks, introduce temporary furniture and implement various programs on the weekend for residents to participate in.

"It's really about working with a community who have identified concerns around the lack of sense of community or are looking to try and bring the community together," she said.

Ald. Druh Farrell said the west end of Calgary's downtown in Ward 8 will likely be the pilot area.

"The west end of downtown ... has a dearth of park space, so this was seen as an opportunity to provide some amenities and also build a sense of neighbourhood," she said. "I fully anticipate that we'll be able to expand the program."

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Pressure on province to list leaks in plan

Pipeline concerns.
Residents worry
monitoring will
end with the end
of spill cleanup

The Alberta government is coming under pressure to include pipeline leaks in the "world-class" environmental-monitoring system it is developing, with people living near a recent

spill saying they don't want the studies to stop after the cleanup is over.

While the shape of a promised provincewide system for tracking environmental impacts of industrial development is still being determined, Alberta Environment spokesman Mark Cooper said including pipeline spills is possible.

"We need to look at that as we develop the system," he said. "I'm not saying that we wouldn't pay more close attention to following up to see the long-term impacts on situations like this. We could very well. It makes sense that we do that."

Last week's spill of up to 475,000 litres of light sour crude into the Red Deer River has focused attention on the overall impacts of pipeline spills in the province — especially as Alberta comes under increasing scrutiny over its oilsands development and neighbouring provinces consider

pipelines that would move oilsands product.

An independent committee is designing how the impacts of Alberta's booming economy should be measured, both in the oilsands region and throughout the province. That committee is expected to report June 30.

The province already has stringent requirements for spill cleanup and remediation, said spokesman Dave Ealey.

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Mexico. Attack on Calgary woman helps spur stiffer laws



JEREMY NOLAIS

Mexican officials are proposing stiffer laws for crimes committed against tourists in the wake of a brutal attack on a Calgary woman in January, as well as other incidents.

The proposal, known inexplicably as Matthew Law, would see all penalties for crimes against visitors to Sinaloa State doubled, according to Mexican news outlet Noroeste.

Sinaloa includes the city of Mazatlan, where 37-yearold Calgarian Sheila Nabb was found in a pool of her own blood inside a hotel ele-

An area resident, 38-yearold Jose Ramon Acosta Quintero, has been arrested and charged in the incident.

"There's no doubt that cast a dark light over us," Rodolfo Lopez-Negrete, who heads the Mexican Tourism Board, told Metro Wednesday

day.
"It (the attack) is part of the reason the (Sinaloa) gov-



ernor is bringing forward these changes."

Family members indicated every bone in Nabb's face was broken during the attack. She has returned to Calgary to recover.

Inquiries for an update on her condition were not returned Wednesday.

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Couldn't swim

Boy's drowning prompts water safety warning

RCMP are reminding the public about the importance of water safety after a nine-year-old boy drowned in a dugout north of Vauxhall.

The young boy and his 12-year-old brother were attempting to get water from the dugout on their farm to pour down gopher holes when the boy fell in. Police say he couldn't swim.

While the dugout was fenced in, RCMP say the bars were large enough for the child to crawl through. METRO

Assault

Edson assault leaves man in hospital

RCMP have a man in custody and another is in stable condition after an assault with a weapon in the community of Edson.

Around 8 p.m. Monday, RCMP were called to an assault with a weapon at a local restaurant where a man was seriously injured in an altercation.

He underwent emergency surgery and is currently in stable

condition.
Charges have yet to be laid. METRO

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Sites impersonating trustees taken down

Fake. Trustee believes pages may have been linked to contentious vote, while parentaroup rep says she's overreacting — and that he knows who did it



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Websites that three Calgary lege were targeting them have been taken down amid threats from a privately hired lawyer.

And one of those elected representatives, Joy Bowen-Eyre, believes she's beginning to connect the dots on why someone would resort to creating impersonation sites of her and fellow board members Pamela King and chair Pat Cochrane.

"This sounds like making a mountain out of a molehill."

Robert Hurdman, representative for the Calgary Association of Parents and School Councils.

"This all happened right as the board procedures came up," she said, referring to a contentious decision

that removed the requirement for board approval of a number of school-related matters. including charged to parents.

Bowen-Eyre said if that's the case, she believes it's a case of "bullying 101."

"I won't forget, but I can forgive.... This is not doing

anything to help our kids, she added.

But Robert Hurdman, who represents the Calgary Association of Parents

openly admits to knowing who created the sites, said he believes the trustees are overreacting, adding that criticism of public officials comes with the territory.

"This sounds like making mountain out of a molehill," Hurdman said before adding he was not at liberty to disclose the identity of the person behind patcochrane.com, pamking.ca and joyboweneyre.ca.

have been taken down, Bowen-Eyre indicated the dispute may not be over, as she plans to meet with Cochrane to discuss next moves.

"The fact that the sites came down so fast tells me they should have never been up there in the

place," she said.

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Stampede. Gluten-free options here for this year

Health-conscious, gluten-sensitive, allergy-prone Calgarians will have some options for tasty Stampede treats this summer.

Some vendors and Calgary food trucks will be offering gluten-free options, from a spicy pad Thai made with brown rice from Island Noodle Stir Fry to the Savage Lands salad at the Mighty

However, gluten-intolerant Calgarian and blogger at YYCglutenfree.com Meredith Callsen said there are likely still some risks for people with a gluten allergy.

"It's a step, we're getting there. It's almost impossible to find gluten-free food at the Saddledome, so this is a huge step, definitely, in the right direction," she said. "But I would be a little skeptical about what I would actually choose to eat."

Many vendors are offering meats like sausage and smokies without the bun, but Callsen warns there is still a high chance of contact with products containing gluten.



Callsen said she's happy to see the Stampede has released a list of vendors and items because asking the vendors themselves can often be a hassle.

"I have high hopes that this is where it starts and I think there will be more conversations in the future."

A list of items and vendors can be found at metronews.ca/calgary

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Teacher showed students grisly body-parts video

Outrage. High school swiftly suspends man but students defend him, saying they asked him to play it

A teacher has been suspended by a Montreal school for showing Grade 10 students the infamous video that shows a killing allegedly committed by Luka Rocco Magnotta.

The teacher showed the students the grotesque scenes on June 4 and was immediate-

Reality?

"For sure, at the beginning I found it tough. But I wasn't traumatized or anything. We see so much these days on TV." ly suspended that afternoon — with pay.

The video is so disturbing that even seasoned detectives who watched it were troubled by the contents, Montreal police say

Staff at Cavelier-De LaSalle High School in Montreal's west end say they quickly informed the students that a team of psychologists was available to deal with any problems from watching the video.

"We condemn with one voice the actions of the teacher," the school board said Wednesday.

"The incident is being taken very seriously."

Students are defending the popular young teacher — who one described as being in his 20s.

Another student said it was the kids who asked him to play the video. She said the teacher was hesitant. A few children in the class also objected.

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Police confirm it

DNA shows Lin's body parts were mailed to B.C.

Montreal police said Wednesday that DNA results have confirmed the two body parts mailed to Vancouver last week belong to student Jun Lin.

Luka Rocco Magnotta, a porn actor, is suspected of killing and dismembering Lin before sending some of his body parts to Canadian political parties and schools.

In Berlin, a court has ordered Magnotta to be held in pre-extradition custody as his likely return to Canada edges closer.

Magnotta, 29, fled to Europe and was captured at an Internet café in Berlin. THE CANADIAN PRESS



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Parties wrangling ahead of omnibus-bill marathon

'Omni-mess'. Voting unlikely to end political fight over Tory budget bill

The tongue-in-cheek nickname for the omnibus Conservative budget bill is "the omni-mess" — an opposition sobriquet to describe 400-plus pages of legislation that make widespread changes to almost every facet of Canadian life.

But the term has also been sneaking into the Tory vocabulary of late as the government finds itself running up against unanticipated political fallout from the Jobs, Growth and Long-term Prosperity Act, also known as Bill C-38.

For the opposition parties, a marathon vote set to begin Wednesday night on more than 800 proposed amendments is an effort to prevent the government from sweeping the mess under the rug.

The legislation hasn't received the detailed study such enormous changes require, they argue.

"We are facing a government that does not respect this institution," said NDP Leader Thomas Mulcair.

"The reason we are elected

is to look at the laws carefully and they are refusing to allow us to have a serious look at this bill."

The government has insisted it needs each and every change contained in the bill in order to follow through on its promise to create jobs and keep the economy humming.

"We live in a global economy and global events will affect us here, so we need to have the tools to continue to keep Canada strong," said Finance Minister Jim Flaherty.

The government has refused repeated requests from opposition parties to break up the bill into more manageable



sections.

"By refusing to compromise, the Conservatives are setting a dangerous precedent," said Liberal House leader Marc Garneau. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Winnipeg lab. Progress in potential treatment for deadly Ebola infection

Canadian researchers are reporting a potential advance in the treatment of Ebola virus infection, one of the most deadly pathogens known to humankind

Researchers from the National Microbiology Laboratory in Winnipeg are reporting that monkeys deliberately infected with Ebola were successfully saved with a cocktail of antibodies against the virus.

Four of four monkeys given the treatment 24 hours after infection survived. And two of four monkeys treated 48 hours after infection also survived. There currently is no vaccine and no treatment for Ebola, a viral hemorrhagic fever that causes sporadic, tragic outbreaks in countries in central Africa.

This treatment isn't ready for human use yet. And even if the work continues to look promising, hurdles will undoubtedly arise when attempts are made to translate findings in the lab to a usable therapy in the field.

Still, these results are creating optimism that a tool with which to combat Ebola outbreaks may be on the horizon.
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Rae won't run for Liberal leadership

Ottawa. Partv leadership race now wide open as interim chief steps aside

Bob Rae won't seek the permanent leadership of the federal Liberals because it's better for the party, the interim leader said Wednesday, setting the stage for a wide-open race and renewing the tantalizing prospect of a Justin Trudeau candi-

dacy.
Sources say the 63-year-old
Rae — who will stay on as interim leader until a replacement is chosen — decided against running primarily because, despite popularity among caucus members, he still doesn't have the broad support of the party's rank-and-file

"It hasn't been an easy decision, (but) it's a decision I feel very comfortable with," Rae said after breaking the news to

his caucus behind closed doors. "For me, it was a question of deciding how I could do the best thing for the health of the Liberal party."

Rae's controversial tenure as Ontario NDP premier from 1990 to 1995 — marred by a deep recession, broken campaign promises and acrimonious relations with the province's unions — has long been cited as one of the principal reasons he struggled to win Liberal SUPPORT. THE CANADIAN PRESS

- Many are looking to Justin Trudeau to save the party, but Trudeau has said he's not interested in running.
- MPs Marc Garneau (Que.). David McGuinty (Ont.), Joyce Murray (B.C.) and Dominic LeBlanc (N.B.) are said to be thinking about runnina.





Trafficking ring. Mother of alleged victim recalls daughter's horror

The mother of an alleged victim in an Ottawa human-trafficking case says her daughter is terrified.

The girl was robbed, beaten up, held for hours, forced into an encounter with a john and threatened repeatedly with having her throat slit, she said.

The woman, whose name cannot be published so as not to identify her daughter, said she confronted one of the suspected teen pimps and her mother to retrieve her daugh-ter's belongings "and get her power back."

"She beat my daughter mercilessly in the face and the nose, kept punching her over and over again," she alleged of one of the accused.

Two 15-year-old girls have been charged in connection with the case. A third suspect, aged 17, is still being sought. Police say they lured three girls from the ages of 13 to 17 to a home by posting messages on social-media websites. The three victims were then allegedly forced to go to another location and perform sexual acts on men.

The alleged victim's mother, who said her daughter was held for hours but escaped, is upset that the third suspect has not been found and that police are unable to release her name publicly in order to locate her.

15-year-old in ćustody

A 15-year-old girl charged in connection with the Ottawa human-trafficking and prostitution ring has been remanded in custody after a brief court appearance Wednesday.

The girl was formally charged with 18 counts in connection with three incidents involving three vic-

The charges include human trafficking, abduction and sexual assault. She will be back in court Monday to have a date set for a bail hearing. THE CANADIAN PRESS

"My daughter was terrified. She blocked the door with chairs and said, 'They're going to come back and slit my throat.' You have no idea of the terror," she said.

The daughter is apparently afraid of retribution after her mother contacted police and confronted the accused teen's mother. The girl's belongings were found in two of the accused girls' homes, her mother said. jessica smith/metro in ottawa

Greenhouse gases

Canada not on pace to meet emissions targets: Report

The federal government says it sees no need to change its greenhouse gas strategy despite a new, hard-hitting report — com-missioned by Ottawa — that shows Canada falling far short of its climate-change objectives.

The report by the National Round Table on the Environment and the Economy added up every provincial and federal provincial and federal measure — existing and proposed — to reduce

greenhouse gases.

It found that Canada is on track to achieve only half of its 2020 target to reduce greenhouse gases by 17 per cent below 2005 levels.

'Canada will not achieve its 2020 GHG emissionsreduction target unless significant new, additional measures are taken," the report said.

In order to actually meet the target, Ottawa would have to take the lead, collab-orate closely with provinces and introduce significant new measures to curtail emissions, especially in Alberta, the report concluded. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Nik Wallenda: High & mighty

King of the High Wire.

On eve of attempt to cross Niagara Falls, the skywalker talks about faith, family what's next

KATHY ULLYOTT

When he was 18, Nik Wallenda had his heart set on becoming a pediatrician.

But just one year later, his family, the legendary Flying Wallendas, was offered a once-in-a-generation opportunity: To re-enact the family's signature stunt, a three-tier, seven-person pyramid on a wire eight metres above the ground. In 1962, the pyramid had collapsed during a show in Detroit and killed two family

members, paralyzing another. Nik was in. And after the triumphant re-creation of the act in 1998, his path was set — on a cable just two fingers wide. This Friday the King of the High Wire will attempt to make history again by walking a wire across the thundering cataract of the Horse-shoe Falls. We asked this very public man about some very private moments.

How are you preparing physically as well as mentally for the Niagara Falls skywalk?

I don't have a regular regimen; my workout changes every day depending on my schedule. I always walk several wires and I try to relax and rest. I also try to work in physical activity with my family - we'll play Frisbee, say, where you have to do 10

pushups if you miss a catch. Or catch it with your left hand only. I don't spend as much time with my kids as I'd like, so I try to be creative that way. Mentally, I don't meditate but I spend a lot of time praying, which is a kind of meditation. I'm a bornagain Christian so I

pray, I talk to God

Dο vou think that religion, or belief in a higher power, is necessary for someone in your

line of work? Well, I can say there's no way I would do it without it.

Have you ever had a supernatural experience, on or off the wire?

I wouldn't say so, no. But I do believe that I'm surrounded by guardian angels at all

times, whether I'm walking a wire or walking down the

What is your greatest dream for your children (Yanni, 14, Amadaos, 11,

and Evita, 9)? That they achieve their goals and dreams. And I like to think that as their father, I am inspiring them to do that. I love a challenge — in taking on Niagara Falls a lot of people said it can't

be done, it won't be done. But when someone says to me something can't be done

that's my cue to find a way.

If there was one thing in your life you could go back and

change, what would it be? Honestly, I wouldn't change anything. Yes, I've had great successes and some failures. But the failures, the disappointments all contribute to what I am, where I am today. And I wouldn't change that for anything.

If you could have dinner with one historical figure and ask him/her anything you want,

That would have to be my great-grandfather, Karl Walfrom Germany to America in wire in Puerto Rico in 1978). I to ask him about our family,

who would that be?

lenda (who brought the family 1928, and died in a fall from a was born in 1979 but he clearly was my inspiration. I'd love

High in the sky

Daredevil legacy honoured

Nik Wallenda, 33, is a high-wire artist and acrobat. He hails from a family of daredevils and is a direct descendant of Karl Wallenda — founder of the Flying Wallendas.

Steeling the thunder

wire, installation, permits, security, travel and marketing is estimated at about \$1.3 million. The TV deal with ABC will offset some of the cost.

hear the family history, hear his amazing stories.

But if you could ask him just one question?

I'd ask him if he is proud. People tell me he would be honoured by what I've accomplished, but I'd love to ask him how he feels myself.

What happens after Niagara Falls?

I want to be a father and a husband for awhile. I've been consumed with this for six months - two years, really and I really feel I've neglected my family. So I just want to spend time with them.

On the web

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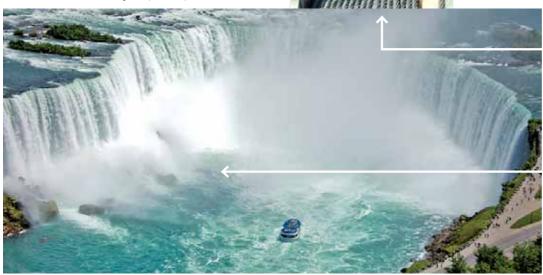
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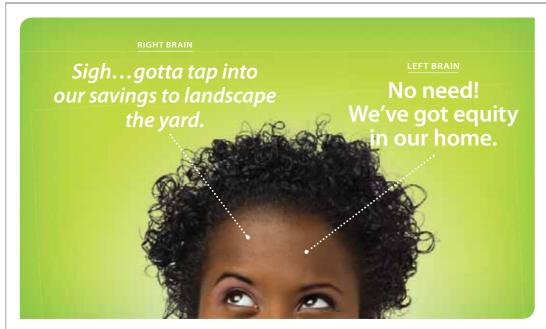
Attempting to cross Niagara Falls on a high wire has been forbidden for the last 100 years. ABC is insisting that Wallenda wear a safety

At the brink

Laying it on 1,800 feet of line

Wallenda plans to start on the American side and walk 1,800 feet across the falls at 200 feet above the gorge bottom. If successful, he will be the first to cross over the brink of the famous falls. metro





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Ugandan women go to highest court over maternal deaths

Serious role.

Decision in favour of the women would shame government

More than 100 women die during childbirth each week in Uganda, a heartbreaking statistic that has energized activists to go to the Supreme Court in a bid to force the government to put more resources toward maternal health care to prevent the wave of deaths.

The activists say they want the country's top judges to declare that women's rights are violated when they die in childbirth, the kind of statement a lower court declined to give last week. In rejecting the petition, the constitutional court said the matter was for the country's political leaders to handle.

The country's top judges



Women walk out of court in Kampala, Uganda, earlier this month after losing a case against the government over maternal deaths during childbirth. They have now taken the issue further, to the country's Supreme Court.

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have a serious role to play:
A declaration favouring the

women activists would shame

the government into action that drastically reduces mortality among child-bearing women in Uganda, activists say.

say.

"All we want is a declaration that when women die during childbirth it is a violation of their rights," said Noor Musisi of the Center for Health, Human Rights and Development, a Kampala-based group that is championing the legal push. The groups presented the bid to the Supreme Court on Tuesday.

Court on Tuesday.

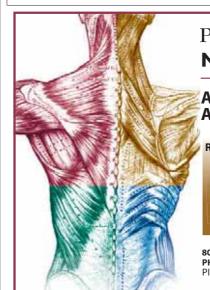
Uganda loses 16 women in childbirth daily, a figure some activists boldly emphasize on placards during regular marches in the streets of the Ugandan capital. Most of these deaths happen in villages where bad roads and poverty make it difficult for women to reach health centres. Even when they get there, some say, the available care is poor.

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South Korean vendors burning with anger

South Korean street vendors burn letters reading "Korea Democratic Street Vendors Confederation" during a rally against the government's crackdown on them in Seoul on Wednesday. Thousands of protesters attended the rally, demanding job security. LEE JIN-MAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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'Purple rain' for protesters in India

Police use coloured water from a water cannon to disperse Kashmiri government employees protesting against the government in Srinagar, India, on Wednesday. The employees demanded the government compensate them for unpaid salaries and raise the retirement age. MUKHTAR KHAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

German MPs banned for wearing clothes linked to neo-Nazis

Controversy. Far-right lawmakers thrown out of state parliament for wearing brand popular among extremists

The president of Saxony's state parliament expelled eight far-right lawmakers from the assembly Wednesday for wearing clothes favoured by German neo-Nazis.

The NPD party lawmakers refused to remove T-shirts and shirts from the Thor Steinar company in an "openly provocative act," Saxony state parliament spokesman Ivo Klatte said.

The brand, with its runic symbols and Nordic themes, is popular among neo-Nazis in Germany, even though the company has distanced itself from far-right extremism in the past.

The lawmakers were banned from parliament's next three sessions after refusing to change or leave, Klatte said. They only left voluntarily after police entered the assembly hall to enforce their expulsion.

Parliament's rules forbid clothes, posters or stickers expressing a political opinion in the assembly hall, Klatte said

Thor Steinar clothes are "typical for the farright scene," and assembly president Matthias Roessler said that wearing them amounted to an overt expression of a political opinion, Klatte said.

Response

The NPD lawmakers maintained they were not trying to provoke parliament, but that the Thor Steinar shirts were worn as a "protest action" targeted at the rules banning such clothes, said NPD spokesman Thorsten Thomsen.

 "We think that no caucus member was wearing clothes that explicitly express a political opinion," he said, adding Thor Steinar was merely a "fashion brand."

parties in the past were also sanctioned for wearing political stickers or posters in parliament. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Turley rebels

Scouts chief raps policy on gays

A high-profile member of the Boy Scouts of America's governing board says he doesn't support the Scouts' policy of excluding gays, and will work from within to seek a change. Ernst & Young CEO James

Ernst & Young CEO James Turley, whose giant accounting firm has welcomed gays and lesbians in its own workforce, becomes the first member of the Scouts' executive board known to publicly disapprove of the policy

disapprove of the policy.

"I support the meaningful work of the Boy Scouts in
preparing young people for
adventure, leadership, learning and service," Turley said.

"However the member-

ship policy is not one I would personally endorse.' The Boy Scouts re-

The Boy Scotts responded Wednesday, saying: "We believe that good people can personally disagree on this topic and still work together."

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\$17-million case

Amish defrauded, man sent to jail

A federal judge in Ohio has sentenced a man to six and a half years in prison for defrauding fellow Amish in 29 states out of nearly

\$17 million.

Monroe Beachy, 78,
pleaded guilty to mail fraud
in a scheme the government
says defrauded nearly 2,700
people and entities.

Beachy is a member of an Amish church about 96 kilometres south of Cleveland where he operated an investment business that filed for bankruptcy protection two years ago.

Investigators say Beachy promised to put the investors' money into safer securities.

But, instead, he used it for higher-risk investments.

It's uncommon for the Amish to take their disputes public.

The deeply traditional religious group shuns most modern advances, including electrical appliances.

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Forest boy keeps all Germany guessing

Mystery. He says his mother died and he buried his father, but he doesn't know his real name

Who is Ray? That's the question all Germany is asking.

Ray is an English-speaking teenage boy who wandered into Berlin nine months ago, saying he had been living for the last five years in the forest with his father.

But "there are many question marks," police spokesperson Thomas Neuendorf said.

The boy told authorities his father called him "Ray" and that he was born June 20, 1994, but claims not to know his last name or where he's from.

He said his mother, Doreen, died in a car accident when he was 12 and after that he and his father, Ryan, took to the forest.

He said they wandered



Mystery boy Ray now uses a laptop and cellphone and goes to school.

Rut who is he? CONTRIBUTED.

using maps and a compass, staying in tents or caves overnight.

He told authorities that after his father died in August 2011, he buried him in the forest and then walked five days north before ending up in Berlin, and showed up at city hall.

Police released a photo of Ray on Wednesday. "We have checked his DNA against all missing-person reports and sent the data to Interpol so they can check it internationally." Neuendorf said.

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Hubby's a bit of a giggle

Those royals are certainly high-flyers. Here, Prince William throws a foam javelin skyward, sparking a giggle from his wife, Kate, Duchess of Cambridge. It happened at a children's sports event at Vernon Park in Nottingham on Wednesday. PHIL NOBLE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS





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Mouthing off. Rob Lowe gets flack online for 'hellhole Winnipeg' rant

It seems hell hath no fury like a city that's been called a "hellhole" by a second tier Hollywood actor.

Rob Lowe, in Winnipeg to shoot a made-for-TV movie, has stirred up anger after writing a message on Twitter Tuesday night that ended with the hashtag "#Trappedinahellhole."

Lowe was complaining about how he was watching the NBA playoffs on TV when the station interrupted the game for coverage of municipal elections.

However, there were no municipal elections in Manitoba Tuesday — Lowe was likely watching a TV station based across the border in Grand Forks, N.D.

Winnipeg residents quickly fired back on Twitter, calling Lowe a jerk, a schmuck and other names.

"You can leave any time," wrote Ken Johnston.

"Feel free to leave the hell hole. I'm sure another great thespian could take your role," wrote Scott Cawson.

The apparent jab came as a disappointment to Liz Peters, a Lowe fan who managed to



get a picture with the star outside his hotel last week. Lowe seemed quite happy and had no complaints, she said

Lowe was on the sitcom Parks and Recreation and also a former star of The West Wing. He's in Winnipeg to work on a made-for-TV movie about the trial of Casey Anthony, a Florida mother who was acquitted in the death of her daughter.



Winnipeg's dumpster doggie Rayne OK

A puppy named Rayne is cared for by a City of Winnipeg Animal Services staff member after being found in a dumpster last week. The eight-week-old shepherd-collie mix was found wet and cold in a north-end garbage bin. Rayne hasn't been adopted yet due to a five-day holding period the agency has in place, but the cute little pup is getting lots of attention.

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'The dog did it'

The dog didn't do it, police say

A western Pennsylvania man who blamed his dog for causing an apartment fire has been jailed on charges that he set the blaze himself.

Cresson Township police have charged 58-year-old John Saparo with setting the fire, though police have yet to specify how.

Police did say they've determined the fire didn't start the way Saparo claimed. He told officers he was cleaning and had several fans running when his dog knocked one over which, somehow, started the fire.

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Saanich, B.C.

Alleged BBQ chip bandits arrested

Police have arrested two women in their early 20s after a bag of barbeque chips and a swath of fabric was stolen from a Saanich garage. Cops found a residential garage door was open and located the suspects. METRO









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Papal envoy backs bishops over birth control

Religious liberty fight.

'Delicate' approach needed in context of presidential election, ambassador says

The pope's U.S. ambassador praised American bishops Wednesday for confronting the American government over religious liberty issues, including resisting the mandate from President Barack Obama's administration that health insurance cover birth control.

Archbishop Carlo Vigano, the papal nuncio based in Washington, noted such advocacy required a "delicate" approach in the context of a presidential election. But Vigano said the concerns were so worrisome that bishops had to act.

"It goes without saying that the Catholic Church in the United States is living in a particularly challenging period of its history," Vigano told an Atlanta meeting of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. "Of course, I am thinking of the whole question of freedom of religion and of conscience."

The national gathering is the bishops' first since dioceses filed a dozen lawsuits against an Obama administration mandate that most employers provide health insurance covering birth control. The rule generally exempts houses of worship,

Bishops battle back

 The U.S. bishops are organizing a Fortnight for Freedom, two weeks of rallies and prayer services on religious freedom leading up to July 4.

but faith-affiliated hospitals, charities and schools would have to comply.





Surveying a mock spill

A child is pushed in a stroller past a mock oil spill outside the Enbridge Northern Gateway pipeline office in downtown Vancouver on Wednesday. The display was set up by Greenpeace to show the risks of spills similar to the recent one outside of Red Deer, Alta.

Pickton inquiry. Probe finds no evidence of harassment at commission

An investigation into claims of sexual harassment within the offices of the Robert Pickton inquiry found no evidence to corroborate what remain anonymous allegations published in the media, says a report by the lawyer who conducted the probe.

The National Post newspaper published a story in April that relied on anonymous sources who alleged they were sexually harassed while working at the commission.

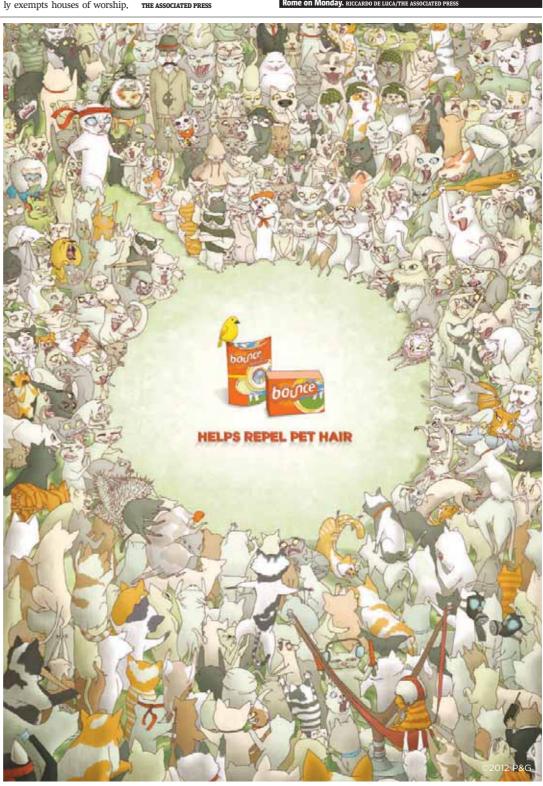
The article prompted commissioner Wally Oppal to appoint an independent lawyer, Delayne Sartison, to look into the allegations. In the meantime, the commission's executive director, John Boddie, took a paid leave of absence

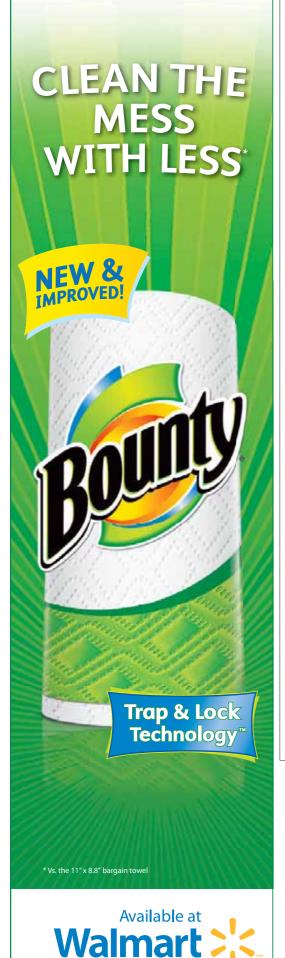
to ensure the investigation's independence.

Sartison interviewed current and former staff members but found no evidence of sexual harassment or genderbased discrimination, according to her report, released by the commission Wednesday.

"Many of the staff interviewed expressed that they were 'very surprised' or 'shocked' to learn of allegations of sexual harassment or gender-based discrimination at the commission," says the report.

Pickton was arrested in 2002 and eventually convicted of six counts of second-degree murder. The remains or DNA of 33 women were found on his farm. THE CANADIAN PRESS





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China's consumer market growing

Customers look at displays of silk dresses at a shop in Shanghai on Wednesday. Chinese consumers can afford to splash out more on higher-quality products, but they also expect better value for money than in the past, according to a study by the American Chamber of Commerce. China's consumer market is forecast to become the second largest in the world after the U.S. by 2015. Both Chinese and foreign companies are struggling to keep up as the market evolves, said the report, released Wednesday. EUGENE HOSHIKO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Retail

Dollarama rolling out \$3 items

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Dollarama Inc. plans to gradually introduce some non-grocery items priced as high as \$3 this summer, the Montreal-based discount retailer announced Wednesday along with a betterthan-expected profit.

Larry Rossy, Dollarama's chairman and chief executive, said customers have responded well to the addition of items that are priced above \$1 — although the previous limit was \$2.

The plan is to gradually introduce items at \$2.50 and \$3 starting this August.

"We're just going to throw in some of these items and see what happens," Rossy told analysts on a conference call. "We're not talking hundreds of items here in any way." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canada being hit by Dutch **Disease: Report**

Economic analysis.

Organization for **Economic Co-operation** and Development traces the steep decline of manufacturing

The OECD is weighing in on the controversy surrounding whether Canada is suffering from an economic condition known as Dutch Disease, and its qualified answer is

The Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development warns in a report released Wednesday that the run-up in commodity prices

is leading to an uneven economy in Canada.

Resource-rich provinces such as Alberta, Saskatchewan and Newfoundland have prospered, while others have fallen behind. in part because a commodity boom has strengthened the Canadian dollar, hurting exchange-sensitive sectors such as manufacturing and tourism.

A similar problem oc-curred in the Netherlands after its North Sea oil fields created a new source of resource wealth and contributed to the hollowing out of the manufacturing sector there, hence the term Dutch

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Housing. Canadian home prices down in 1st quarter

Canadian housing market conditions have cooled slightly, with prices down nearly two per cent in the first quarter, but the country continues to outperform other developed nations, according to a new Scotiabank real estate report.

The latest Scotiabank Global Real Estate Trends report released Wednesday found that the inflationadjusted national average home price fell by 1.6 per

cent in the first quarter of 2012 compared to the same period of 2011.

That compared with a 1.3 inflation-adjusted yearover-year gain in the fourth quarter of 2011. Canada's housing market remains an outperformer among developed nations, but conditions have cooled here as well, according to Scotia-bank economist Adrienne Warren.

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Keystone XL pipeline. Oklahoma governor says she's frustrated by delays

Oklahoma's governor is losing patience with delays in building the controversial Keystone XL oil pipeline, which would cross through her state on its way from Alberta to the Texas coast.

Mary Fallin told delegates at the Global Petroleum Show on Wednesday she's encouraged that the backer of the \$7.6-billion U.S. project, TransCanada Corp., plans to start building a stretch of pipe from her state south to Texas refineries very soon

"We've had some great meetings while we've been here with TransCanada to talk about those operations, and they're anticipated to begin construction on that section of pipeline in July in our state."

During her visit to Canada, Fallin also visited a steam-driven oilsands operation near Fort McMurray, Alta., operated by Oklahoma-based Devon Energy. Oklahoma is home to a Quoted

"It's been enormously frustrating that President Obama and our nation has not been able to get through the permit for the Keystone XL pipeline."

Oklahoma governor Mary Fallin

huge oil storage hub at Cushing, and several pipelines lead in that direction.

However, a massive supply glut there has depressed the price North American producers get for their oil, so they want to see more pipeline capacity out of Cushing to funnel some of the excess to more lucrative markets.

Fallin also says the U.S. should be buying crude from a "friend" and "ally" like Canada instead of from hostile regimes.

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More joining wireless lineup

From left: The Big Jambox by Jawbone, the Braven 650, the Beacon Audio Phoenix and Logitech's Mini Boombox, wireless speakers that connect to smartphones via Bluetooth. Diminutive wireless speakers are increasingly filling the shelves at electronics retailers as they quickly prove to be the perfect accessory for people who listen to the bulk of their music on mobile phones. ROW HARRIS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Petroleum

Saudis seeking low oil prices

OPEC ministers will meet Thursday deeply divided over how much crude to pump, with Saudi Arabia keen to keep a lid on prices, rival Iran pushing to cut production and Iraq expected to back Iran, its longtime foe under Saddam Hussein. The divisions will test the unity of the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries.

Tech trends. Tablet ownership continues to surge in Canada, iPad tops

Tablet ownership continues to surge in Canada, and online and mobile TV viewing is on the rise, according to a new report on tech trends in Canada.

Based on 2,000 surveys of anglophone Canadians conducted in March and April, CBC/Radio-Canada's Media Technology Monitor found that the rapid adoption of tablets continues, with about 21 per cent of those surveyed reporting they owned one of the pricey devices. That figure is up 3.5 times compared to last spring, when only six per cent of anglophone Canadians had

Apple's iPad was far and away the most popular tablet with about 62 per cent of the market in Canada, while Research in Motion's BlackBerry PlayBook had a share of almost 20 per cent, according to the survey results.

More Canadians also said they're using their mobile de-

Online viewing

The viewing of online video on mobiles devices, computers and TV sets, grew over the past month.

- **71 per cent** watched some type of online video.
- 1 in 5 watched full-length TV episodes.
- 19 per cent watched a feature film.

vices to watch TV. About 21 per cent of tablet owners said they are now watching TV shows on their device, which represents about five per cent of the total anglophone population.

Only about two per cent of anglophones were watching TV shows on tablets in the spring of 2011.

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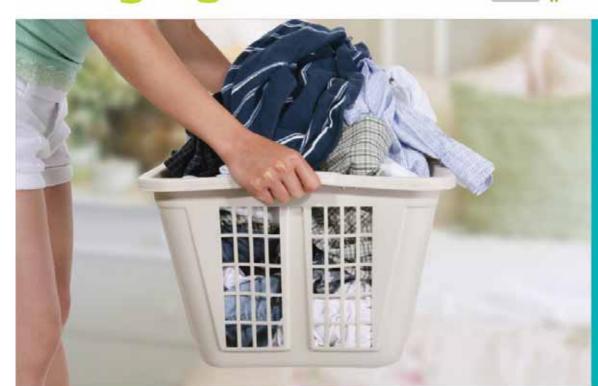
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HOW I LEARNED TO STOP WORRYING AND LOVE THE GAME



North Americans have finally accepted the Beautiful Game. When I watched my first World Cup in 1990, people condemned soccer as boring and unmanly and just generally this European thing we didn't understand, like men in beach thongs.

Now, as the Euro plays out, even those who don't love it have come to accept its value. It's like when a passively xenophobic guy in a small town meets his first immigrant. "Hey," he says, "that soccer guy is all right."

Soccer and I got off to rocky start. I remember watching 22

years ago and thinking that each game had the same excitement

Stop the excitement!

"I thought maybe there was an applause meter that let refs know when the game was getting too interesting.

level as CPAC But then there would be a long pass, the announcer's voice would rise and, at long last, the cry known around the world would ring out across the

continents: Offside! My understanding of the rule then was that whenever anything exciting was about to happen, the whistle would blow. I thought maybe there

was an applause meter that let refs know when the game was getting too interesting.

I also had a problem with diving — not that players did it, but that they were so bad at it.

Soccer players are terrible actors. A player will collapse to the pitch like he's stepped on a land mine, even though replays show the opposing player had only made eye contact. That I can accept, but the game loses me when the diver rolls back and forth like he's kneading a patch of dough. No truly injured person in the history of the world has ever rolled back and forth violently. Nobody who's been in a car accident thinks, "Better roll it out."

And of course I hated hooligans. Even hated the name, which makes the most despicable people in the world sound like loveable scamps.

But I've since come around, if only because North America knows how to screw up their sports, too.

If I still find the occasional soccer game boring, I need only think of what it was like to watch this year's NHL playoffs, which in the final two rounds were an amazing display of shot-blocking, icings and offsides that the world had not witnessed the likes of since mid-January.

If I consider diving unsportsmanlike, I can think of how many people shrug off baseball players cheating their way right into the record books.

And if I wish to condemn rioters and thugs (and I do), I can also note how often North American sporting events seem to be celebrated with the ceremonial Burning of the Cars. So now when the World Cup and the Euro roll around, I latch

on to a team or two and drink in the colourful costumes, bicycle kicks, celebration runs and the rising crescendo of the soccer

Frankly, any sport that can get 80,000 fans in one place without any of them singing YMCA is all right by me



Highs and lows at Euro 2012



Action

Portugal wins, Russian fans rage

A Portugal fan enjoys the pre-game atmosphere during a Euro 2012 match between Denmark and Portugal at Arena Lviv on Wednesday in Lviv, Ukraine

Portugal went on to beat Denmark 3-2. But the tournament has

not been without its fair share of controversy.

Russia could be deducted six points in its qualifying group for the next European Champion-ship if its fans turn violent again at Euro 2012

UEFA fined the Russian soccer association \$150,000 US on Wednesday because its fans attacked stadium stewards at a match last week in Poland. UEFA also gave the federation a sus-pended six-point deduction for a repeat offence. Within hours of the

announcement, UEFA charged Russia with fur-ther offences relating to its fans' behaviour inside the National Stadium during the match against Poland on Tuesday in Warsaw. Russian fans were also filmed fighting with stadium staff in Wroclaw after a 4-1 win last Friday.

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Croatia's culture ministry has told an employee to stop revealing her bare breasts at European Championship matches.

- Topless Internet photos of Jelena Miksa, a clerk at the culture ministry, and a female family member have been a hit on social net-works and local media as they celebrated Croatia's 3-1 victory over Ireland on Sunday in Poznan, Poland.
- The women said they did it in support of the team.

Offside

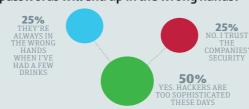
"We don't want to sound discourteous we've always been willing to take on any type of subject — but we'll return to that when we're calmer, not on the eve of a key match.'

Italy coach Cesare Prandelli, responding to Italy player Antonio Cassano's remark on gay footballers. Cassano sid Tuesday that he hopes there are no homosexual players on the national team at the European Championship, then used a derogatory word to describe gays. Hours later, he issued an apology. issued an apology.

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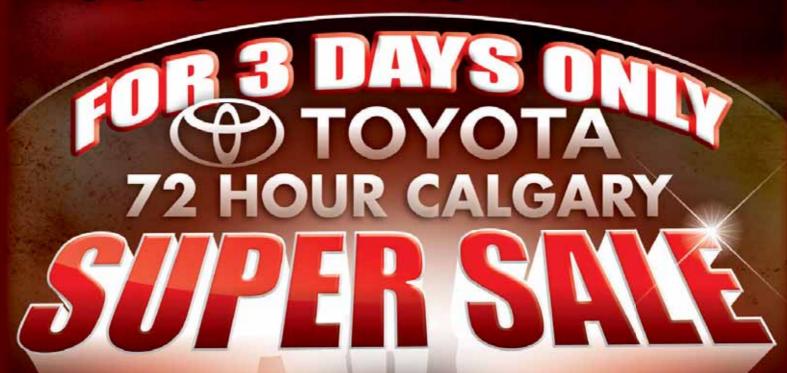
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Scene in brief

Cruise honoured by Friars

Tom Cruise was in Manhat-tan to collect an award, and, yes, promote a mov-ie. On Tuesday night, the actor received the fourth-ever Friars Club Entertainment Icon Award, placing him in the same company as Douglas Fairbanks, Cary Grant and Frank Sinatra. The evening was a toast, not a roast. Alec Baldwin presided at the Waldorf-Astoria, where speakers included such former co-stars as Cuba Gooding Jr. and Kevin Pollak. Robin **Thicke and Corinne Rae** Bailey were among the musical performers. Many had stories about working with Cruise and his impact on them.

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On the web



SCENE

Rex Smith to play set for son he once didn't know he had

My two dads. Brandon Smith found out about his '70s and '80s icon biological father after his ailing mother confessed



BACKSTAGE

This Father's Day promises to be a special one for Calgary business owner Brandon Smith. Not only is Smith celebrating the holiday with the man whom he thought was his dad until the age of 14, but also the person who turned out to be his biological father — former teen idol Rex

"It's going to be a very poet-ic way to celebrate Father's Day with my two dads in the same room for the first time in my life," says Smith the co-

- Rex Smith made his Broadway debut as Danny Zuko in Grease in 1979 and went on to host Solid Gold and star in the 1983 film adaptation of Gilbert & Sullivan's The Pirates of Penzance, as well as TV's Street Hawk and As the World Turns.
- Rex will perform four songs at the grand opening of SHE Apparel on the main floor of Bankers Hall starting at noon on June
- SHE Apparel also has locations in Westhills and Uptown 17th Ave., and won a 2011 Calgary Choice Award for best retail



owner of SHE Apparel, with more than a hint of excite-

Smith first contacted Smith Sr. 16 years ago after his ailing mother told him he was the result of a brief fling she had with the actor-singer.
"Obviously, I didn't believe

her," he recalls. "But I got my hands on a Rex Smith record from 1979 and I saw my face

on the cover. It was quite shocking."
Smith then went to Van-

couver, where Rex was performing in a production of Sunset Boulevard, and approached him after the show as he was signing autographs.

"I told him I was his son and his face went white," says Smith. A paternity test confirmed Smith's story, but it

would be another four years before the two would enjoy a true father-son relationship.

"My mom passed away when I was 20," he says. "I called him up the same day and I asked him if we could connect somehow. We talked once a month and when I was 22 years old he invited me to New York. We had a dinner that lasted 12 hours. It was a

remarkable time. '

The pair enjoy a strong bond these days. Next week, the elder Smith, who starred in the '80s television show Street Hawk, will sing four songs at the grand opening of SHE Apparel, the upscale lingerie boutique founded by Smith's wife.

"He's very supportive of us," says Smith.







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Colin Farrell fully embraces demands of starring role in Total Recall remake

Summer blockbuster.

Rising star and cast had a blast shooting sequel to 1990 sci-fi thriller in Toronto

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As eager as he may be for audiences to enjoy his work in the upcoming big-budget Total Recall remake, Colin Farrell wants to state upfront that there's one area in which his version wouldn't dare to compete with the 1990 Schwarzenegger original: "I noticed a lack of one-line jokes," he laughs. "No one does one-liners like Arnie!"

The Recall update is set to be a more sober, serious take on the tale of an oblivious man in the near future who tampers with his memories and ends up uncovering a hidden past and personality.

Farrell says he was at first reluctant to leap into a produc-



tion that encompassed such a humongous scope, one that overran Toronto streets as well as occupying several cavernous soundstages at the city's new Pinewood studio facility while shooting last year.

"It was terrifying," he admits. "I've been quite content creatively, over the last six or

seven years, doing films that were smaller in budgetary scale. It scares the s—t out of me, the idea of being in a really, really big film, it really does.

"But I'm open to it. Initially, I responded to the script and I responded to the idea of a man named Quaid who just really didn't know who he was. It brings up the questions: What makes a person what they are? What makes us all? Can you reclaim, can you change? So meeting Ien (Wiseman, director) and seeing his concept artwork and the world he was going to create ... I came away from meeting him saying, 'Td

really love to do this, I hope I can!"

Actress Jessica Biel appears in the film as capable and sexy freedom fighter Melina. Of her role, Biel says, "Melina's grown up very much this underground soldier, and this very strong, empowered person."

Farrell and Biel are chatting

with members of the media after a lengthy and particularly punishing day of staging Total Recall's extensive zero-gravity simulations. The action saw the pair trussed up by wires and hung upside down for hours at a time while blasting away with futuristic firearms.

away with futuristic firearms.
"It's actually so physically painful that there's nothing to do but laugh." Biel says. "You just get completely giddy and it gets to a point where you feel like your eyeballs are about to pop out. We've done our best to laugh through it."

Biel goes on to say that she had much more fun working on her fight scene with co-star Kate Beckinsale, who plays the villainous Lori. She found the scene interesting "because (Kate and I) never fight with women. You're always fighting a monster or thug or something. You never fight a beautiful, sinewy long haired woman. I think it'll look really cool and aggressive. The only issue that we had during the fight was that Kate's hair kept getting stuck in my jacket!"



The remastering of a science-fiction classic

A new vision.

Director Len Wiseman combines stunning visuals with a compelling mystery

TREVOR PARKER

With remakes of beloved titles hitting multiplexes on a seemingly weekly basis, it's a tricky balancing act for those filmmakers to attract new fans as well as satisfying devotees of the source material.

It's a battle with which the director of the new Total Recall, Len Wiseman, is well aware: "It was a challenge. The Recall script came to me, out of the blue, and I was just taken by the direction that it went in. Of course, there's going to be a side that says, 'Why even do it if it's going to be that much different?' The other group says, 'If there's nothing new, nothing original, why bother?' With all of that out there, I just very selfishly make the movie for myself, and hopefully other people like it.'

Wiseman's Recall is certainly adopting a fresh perspective. Gone is the Mars setting of the first film, replaced by a divided earth and a massive tunnel between two nations, bored directly through the centre of the globe.

Production designer Patrick Tatopoulos describes the two sides, with the United Federation of Britain, home of the ruling class, being "bright and clean, with beautiful misty skies. Everything is pristine.

In New Asia, the hardscrabble home of lead character Quaid (played by Colin Farrell), Tatopoulos says, "It feels like old and new technology together. It'll be really grungy. We shot with 350 (extras), so it really feels like a living city. The costumes are going to be outrageous."

As elaborate as the environ-ment and visuals are, Wiseman hopes the core story of hunting for one's identity will be his Recall's most compelling aspect. "There's a ton of action," he says, "but action is completely dead if there's no driving emotion or mystery behind it. What I love about this project the most, I love a mystery any-

Total Recall marks the third occasion that Len Wiseman has directed his wife, actress Kate Beckinsale. "Kate's been in action movies before, but never as the villain," Wiseman says.
"I love the idea." For this
Recall, Beckinsale appears as the duplicitous Lori, the role played by Sharon Stone in the 1990 original.

ways, but when the mystery is about the character himself. I'm always drawn to that, like The Fugitive, or Bourne or Blade Runner. Going through the action, there are puzzle pieces within; as Quaid is trying to find out the ultimate mystery, which is, 'Who am I?' That's a big part of it, because otherwise it's just a bunch of explosions and expensive ef-

fects."
Wiseman also stood fast against pressure to have Re-call released in 3-D. "I'm not against 3-D. It just didn't work with what kind of film I was trying to make."









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Skies the limit for Jessup as he bags bigger role

Turning 18. Canadian actor's Falling Skies character — Ben Mason — is not only growing up, he's finally getting a gun and a taste of the action

June is a big month for Canadian actor Connor Jessup, to

put it lightly. First, he's finishing high school, and later this month he turns 18. On top of all that, Jessup gets to celebrate the second season premiere of the science-fiction series Falling Skies, in which his character, Ben Mason, plays a much bigger — and more gunplay-filled — role than in the first season.

It must be stressful trying to juggle promoting a TV show and finishing high school.

Quote

"I like to describe it as puberty on steroids he doesn't know what's happening to him."

Connor Jessup, Falling Skies, explaining the changes his character is going through

Yeah. It's less stressful than trying to juggle shooting the show and finishing high school, which was basically impossible to do. So now I'm suffering for the time I spent shooting, trying to catch up with everything. I graduate the day before my 18th birthday, so it's very exciting. Which is also three days after the show airs, so it's a very packed week. June's exciting.

Your character gets a lot more to do on the show this year.

Last season, Ben was the guy who stayed back and didn't



Toronto-born Connor Jessup is happy that his Falling Skies character is getting more exciting things to do next season. BENNY HADDAD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

go out on any fights. He was more passive, more bookish. He was less involved in the actual action of the show. Between seasons one and two, there's a time gap of three months, and in that time he's become a fighter. He's become much more aggressive. He's become very angry because he thinks his dad is gone and probably dead, he's lost a lot of people in these various battles. He's become much colder and more distant. When the season takes off, he's fighting. He's very angry at the aliens, but a lot of that anger is a manifestation of his own fear and confusion. I like to describe it as puberty on steroids — he doesn't know what's happening to him, there's a lot happening to his body, to his emotions, and he's trying to deal with them through angst, violence and aggressiveness. But also this season Ben plays a much more central role in the mystery of the show

What was your reaction when you heard how much more you'd have to do?

It happened in stages. We found out that the show was getting picked up for a second season in July, almost a few weeks after it aired, but I didn't hear anything after that about what the season was about or what was happening, until September, which was only three or four weeks before we started shooting. So it's mid-September and I get a phone call from one of our executive producers and directors, Greg Beeman. I love him a lot, but he has a very succinct way of talking. He gets right to the point. He just said, "You're going to be an action hero. Buff up" and hung up, pretty much. He left me with that. I didn't know what it meant, I didn't know the context. All I knew was that I was going to be involved in the action stuff, and I had three and a half weeks to go to the gym.

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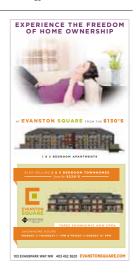
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David Arquette, after nearly two years of separation, has finally filed for divorce from Courteney Cox, according to TMZ

The papers, however, list the official date of separation as December 31, 2011.

Arquette apparently signed the papers in March but held off on submitting them until Tuesday.

which would have been the couple's 13th anniversary. Arquette cited irreconcilable differences in the filing, and though he's asking for joint legal and physical custody of their eight-year-old daughter, Coco, he has not asked for spousal or child support.

Arquette also plans to represent himself in the proceeding.



Richards in splitsville

rekindling between Richie Sambora and Denise Richards is now off, it turns out, according to Celebuzz.

"They're done," a source says. "They've always staved friends through everything they've gone through. Sambora and Richards first dated in 2006 after splitting from their respective exes, Heather Locklear and Charlie Sheen



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Lohan escapes a charge, earns a babysitter

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This Lindsay Lohan car crash is turning out to be especially hard to look

away from.

Not only did the actress lie about who was driving, but now police have confiscated a plastic bottle full of alcohol from the rented Porsche's trunk, reports TMZ. Luckily, police have decided not to cite her with an open container violation, and she reportedly was not under the influence at the

time of the crash. Lohan's employers, however, aren't willing to look the other way. The producers of her new Elizabeth Taylor biopic for Lifetime, Liz & Dick, decided to stop taking chances and hired her a driver.

"Lifetime will lose a ton of money if Lindsay doesn't finish filming Liz and Dick, plus they don't want anything to happen to her on their watch," a source tells PerezHilton.com. "So it was decided it would be cheaper to get her a driver. This is a make-or-break moment for Lindsay."

Nice start, guys. But we recommend adding a spe-cial ops team, a creative pharmacist, a lazy river and the fluffiest basket of kittens L.A. has to offer if you truly want to contain this girl.



I'd pay big money to watch Ken dolls in a fight club. Which is weird.



@goldiehawn

Off to Hungary with my Sis to discover our roots!



@GeorgeMichael

Nothing to rant about, damn, must watch the



I just noticed a news item that says the Nobel Prize has shrunk from 1.4 million to 1.2. What's the point



DiCaprio coupling up with Heatherton

Leonardo DiCaprio appears to be serious about his latest girlfriend, Victoria's Secret model Erin Heatherton. whom he's been dating longdistance since December, according to Us Weekly.

Though he followed up filming The Great Gatsby in Australia by heading straight to New Orleans for Quentin Tarantino's Diango Unchained, DiCaprio has been making more time for Heatherton lately, hitting the town in New York.

They were spotted fawning over one another at the restaurant Candela earlier

And just last week, the pair hit up New York hotspot the Darby

"They showed up hand-in-hand," a source says. "They were acting like a couple all





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Making a splash

After months of cloud and rain, you may feel self-conscious when showing off your sun-deprived body for the first time. However, covering up with a drab or unflattering swimsuit isn't going to help. Summer is your time to shine, so we picked the top eyecatching swimsuits that will ensure you make a jaw-dropping entrance, wherever you go.

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The economy has prompted cost-conscious restaurant chefs to spearhead creative and often less costly - new cuts of beef.

And when they do that, it

usually doesn't take long for those cuts to move off the menu and into butcher and grocery shops.

To help get you grill with one of the newly popular cuts

Start to finish: 45 minutes

- 1 bunch fresh cilantro, stems and leaves
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- · 2 tbsp water
- 1/4 cup toasted cashews

(nieces are fine)

- 1/4 cup grated Parmesan
- Salt and ground black pepper · 2 lbs teres major steaks
- Vegetable or canola oil

Rethink how you cook your meat



In Charred & Scruffed, chef Adam Perry Lang produces layers of flavour by using new techniques that range from roughing up meat and vegetables ("scruffing") to cooking directly on hot coals ("clinching") to constantly turning and moving the meat while cooking ("hot potato"). Meanwhile, his board dress ings and finishing salts build upon delicious meat juices.

The techniques result in recipes such as Leg of Lamb, Clinched-and-Planked Shrimp,, Scruffed Carbonara Potatoes, Crispy Moonshine Onion Rings and more.

of beef, here is a recipe for a meat on the cutting edge.

- Heat a grill to high.
- 2. In a blender, combine the cilantro, olive oil, water,

cashews and Parmesan. Blend until smooth, or as smooth as you prefer. Season with salt and pepper, then blend again.

3. Season the steaks with salt

and pepper. Soak a crumpled paper towel with oil. Clasping the paper towel with tongs, oil the grates of the grill. Add the steaks and cook over high heat for 5 to 8 minutes per

4. Remove the steaks from the grill and allow to rest for 8 to 10 minutes. Thinly slice the steaks across the grain and top with the pesto.

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Saturated, over-dyed carpets create a modern look. These can add as much impact to the floors as art does to walls.

Ended greats take an a sun-bleached look for a soft worn look. Ottoman Vintage #10220 Rug. \$180, consequence or

Everything old is new again

Carpet trends. Faded, chopped and dyed rugs make for artful floors



DESIGN CENTRE Karl Lohnes home@metronews.co

The look of handmade is everywhere in design and acts as a great juxtaposition to modern furnishings and art in a room.

Without exception, the floors are the most ignored part of any decor scheme. Why not add uniqueness

to your space by adding a vintage rug?

The world is full of old, tattered, outdated carpets and what better way to recycle than to reinvent them into something hip and attractive?

The earth-friendly trend is to reuse and revamp worn and outdated rugs into something fresh and artful for our rooms.

Second-life rugs can be bleached for a sun-kissed romantic look or over-dyed with rich saturated Andy Warholstyle acidic colours. Damaged rugs can be cut into large pieces and sewn back together for a patchwork of pattern in a room. Unroll a little art

Rug rules

If the room is in desperate need of colour or pattern, then choose a glass or Lucite coffee table to show off your rug.

Too much colour for your liking? A wooden table or large ottoman will help break it up.

Use a rug to define an area in a room or hallway. Two or three short runners can break up a long hallway space and shorten the overall look while a collection of layered rugs can be easily moved around for a variety of looks.

In small spaces try to match the tone (light and dark) of the rug to the floor; it visually makes the space look larger if both match. Patterned carpets are great for high-traffic areas as they show less wear and tear



Sweet dreams

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Hello Charles, What is the three-sheet bedmaking process and why is this important?

Hello Curious!
The three-sheet bed method is an older method that was used particularly when wool blankets were on the bed and these items were rough against the skin.

The third sheet covers the

blanket and gets tucked in just like all of the other sheets on the bed. This third sheet made the bed softer and nicer so that you didn't feel the rough wool against your skin, and more importantly you didn't dirty the wool blanket.

If the bed had a duvet, it was then folded in a "three-fold" at the end of the bed and only used on very cold nights.

Although not common today, when you see a bed made in this fashion, and sleep in a bed made with three sheets, it is fabulous, luxurious and such a treat! And often the "third sheet" had a family crest or initials in the middle of the sheet, which visually looks breathtaking.

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Blur the line between inside and outside

French doors. Summer is here, so why not let in loads of light and give yourself a view?

With warm air, lush gardens and inviting patios in season, you're sure to be stepping outside as often as possible. Why not refresh the entry into your outdoor oasis by installing beautiful French doors?

Host Amy Matthews helps homeowners tackle projects themselves on Sweat Equity which airs weeknights at 11 p.m. ET/8 p.m. PT on DIY Network Canada. Get inspired by Amy's knowledge and expertise and see below for some tips to take on the French door project yourself this weekend.

Basic Overview

French doors are a lovely option for a patio entranceway as they give a visual connection between indoor and outdoor spaces. Light is able to flow inside and you have a beautiful view of your patio and garden.

French doors can be used with a retractable screen door system if desired which is popular for patios to keep bugs at bay. Blinds can also be installed to provide some additional privacy if preferred — these can be easily opened when it's time to let in the light.

Planning

French doors need more space than sliding doors so be sure to plan for space around the door swing before getting started. There is the choice of both in-swing and out-swing fittings so you can select the option that works best for your space. Measure the width of the door and use this to calculate the radius of the door's swing by starting at the pivot point to ensure you have enough space.

Also measure the jamb depth of the opening as you will want to buy a door that fits inside this depth. Standard French door styles are available to fit standard door openings and manufacturers usually also offer custom options for older, more unique spaces.

Installation Tips

Buying a pre-hung French door kit will make installation much easier as it eliminates many steps. Look to your neighbourhood home improvement store for options.

Always follow the manufacturer's guidelines and be sure that each door is hung plum inside the door frame so that they close tightly. Also look

for French patio doors with a three-point locking system as it provides additional security by locking the doors to the head jamb and sill instead of simply

locking the two doors together. Ensure that the swing path of the French doors is clear of any furniture or tools before begin ning the installation.

Once complete, grab that cup of coffee, step through your beautiful new entranceway, sit down and relax. Whether you're going inside or outside you're sure to admire your handiwork.

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Hostas are a great multi-use option for growers who like flowers that taste as

Plants pretty enough to eat

Gardening ideas.

Sweet potatoes for decoration? Some flowers and veggies do double duty

Sweet potato vines decorating window boxes? Blueberry plants prized more for their foliage than their fruit?

Some flowers and vegetables are as appealing in the home garden as they are on the menu.

"We generally are interested in something to eat when we grow vegetables. In some cases, however, certain vegetable cultivars have been bred and selected for their ornamental characteristics rather than their food quality," said Dan Gill, a Louisiana State University AgCenter horticulturist.

Ornamental sweet potatoes are a prime example, he

Garden of goodness

"We want consumers to surround themselves with flavourful beauty."

Scott NeSmith, a research horticulturist at the University of Georgia-Griffin campus

said

"They've been really popular in the last 15 or 20 years," Gill said. "The early ones can easily cover five square feet. Plant a few in a container and they will fill it in."

Sweet potatoes are vining plants, members of the morning glory family, so they work equally well as low-growing bedding plants, as ground cover, on climbing arbours or trailing from hanging baskets, he said.

"They can be aggressive, however. Breeders are developing hybrids that are less vigorous and that play well in mixed beds with other plants," Gill said. "They do produce an edible crop but they're not that tasty. Gardeners like them more for their coloured foliage."

Blueberries are another great multi-use option, said Scott NeSmith, a research horticulturist at the University of Georgia-Griffin campus. "We're seeking a variety of

"We're seeking a variety of novel blueberry types, with (an) emphasis on berry colours, plant shape and form, fall colour, dwarfness and other interesting traits," he said. "We want consumers to surround themselves with flavourful beauty."

Just as there are ornamental fruits and vegetables, so, too, are there edible flowers and garden beauties that provide culinary treats.

Some nominees: Hostas (blooms), daylilies (tubers, buds), dandelions (flowers when picked young), marigolds ("poor man's saffron"), begonias.

Also there are sunflowers (buds), yucca (petals, fruit), lavender (blooms), nasturtium (leaves, petals).

A couple of cautions, however, about adding flowers to the menu: "Never use flowers for garnishing unless you know for certain they are edible," said Gill, adding, "Some flowers, like the plants that produce them, are poisonous."

Also, do not eat flowers that may have been sprayed with pesticides or picked along roadsides. Wash flowers thoroughly before plating up, and eat them in small quanti-

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Start digging and eating

Appetizing ornamentals:

- Go green. Kale, Swiss chard, parsley, chives, rosemary, sage and mustards.
- Spice it up. Black peppers, chili, sweet peppers and hops. The latter "beautifully and vigorously cover an arbour or fence, and the young strings taste quite good," said Rose Marie Nichols McGee, owner of Nichols Garden Nursery in Albany, Ore.
- Berry good ideas. Elderberries and strawberries.
- Vegetable medley. Eggplant, squash, zucchini, cabbage, artichokes and beets.

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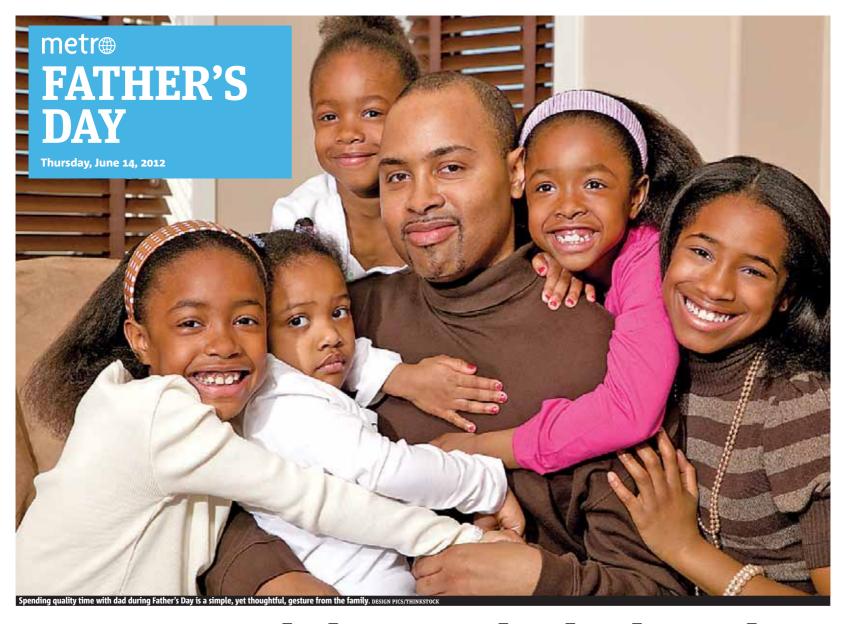
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How to celebrate dad's big day

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You and the kids have breakfast in bed planned. Now what else should you do for Father's Day? Here are some other ways to celebrate the big guy this Sunday.

Make it from the heart

"To truly celebrate my role

as a father, I would love to be recognized for the things I do day in and day out," says Jim Lin, the blogger behind busydad.com. And that recognition could even be as small as a homemade card or drawing telling dad why he really is the best dad ever.

"But if you want to indulge me on my special day, all I really want to do is spend the day enjoying my family without the usual distractions that come with it, such as chores, cleaning, watching what I eat and so forth.

However, if you are out of preschool and have grown out of making those home-made cards for dad, little heartfelt gestures go a long way — think taking dad out to do something he loves, from going for coffee to a

game of tennis on the courts.

Keep it family focusedThe point is to make it spe-

cial and involve the family, says Chris Read, the blogger who writes for canadiandad. com. "While a lot of guys would love to golf with their buddies or ride in a limo in Vegas, the real truth is that we have all year to do that stuff and this day should be

about family," says Read. Maybe give dad an hour to himself at some point dur-ing the day and that will be more than enough. Though, this depends on the lifestyles of the family."

Sleep, sleep, sleep

Give dad the ultimate gift any father can appreciate.

"On the actual day, a sleep-in is always a great way

to spoil dad. They're a lot less frequent nowadays," says Nick Cheeseman, a father and blogger with Canadad (ncheeseman.blogspot.ca).

"For me, a day of family fun such as an outing to the zoo would be best the way to spend it. Just avoid big brunches with the whole extended family or some time to watch the big game on the

New ideas. Resist the urge to get the same old gift

Step away from the tie ... and try getting something new for dad this Father's Day. Stumped for ideas?

We asked four daddy bloggers for suggestions on what to give dad.

Dads in their 20s-30s

"Try spoiling dad with things like breakfast in bed or an hour at a day spa — yes modern dads also enjoy looking after their bodies well," says Stefan Korn, the blogger behind DIYFather.com. Many spas offer Father's Day packages that include services such as facials, massages, pedicures for men and more.

Dads in their 40s-50s Help keep top of dad's mind while he is at work, suggests Warren Orlans, the blogger urbandaddy.word-

press.com. "Last year, I received a beautiful set of cufflinks, which are very much back in fashion for working dads," he says. Other ideas include a picture frame with the family's picture in it or a mouse pad with a picture of the kids on it.

"Give him something where he can be a kid again," says Nick Cheeseman, the something Canadad blogger. Think gifts

such as a new football if dad likes to toss the ball around or a new Wii game just for him to play.

"Tickets to a sporting event or some advanced driving lessons — rally or race, not defensive - also works," says Cheeseman. "If you really want to splurge, how about a whitewater rafting trip with his buddies or a weekend kid free, especially with his wife."

Dads in 60s and older

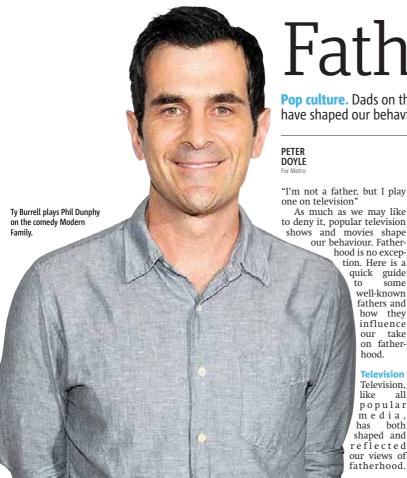
Give dad a bottle of his favourite drink, suggests Korn. Get a little creative if you can — pair a bottle of spicy vodka with a can of Clamato, celery salt and pepperoni sticks or a bunch of celery for homemade Caesars, or a six-pack of beer plus an to take him on a

If you really can't decide what to get him, give the choice to dad. "Dads love gift cards to tool shops, sporting goods stores and electronics," says Chris Read, the blogger with canadiandad.

"Yes, gift cards are impersonal but they are what we like, so don't feel bad!"

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Father knows best

Pop culture. Dads on the big and small screen have shaped our behaviour over the years

"I'm not a father, but I play

As much as we may like to deny it, popular television shows and movies shape our behaviour. Father-

> tion. Here is a quick guide some well-known fathers and how they influence

> > Television Television,

like all popular media, has both shaped and reflected our views of fatherhood.

In the 1960s, programs such as the Andy Griffith Show idealized fathers as upstanding men who were free from vice and able to support and love all members of the family equally.

In the 1970s, All In The Family broke the mould with a father whose foibles and bigotry provided comic relief. Despite his shortcomings, however, Archie Bunker managed

to remain endearing.
In the 1980s and 1990s, fathers took on a much broader range, from the comically hopeless Homer Simpson, to the letter-perfect Heathcliff Huxtable on The Cosby Show and the tragically spineless Ray Barone on Everybody Loves Raymond.

Phil Dunphy of Modern Family puts an interesting modern twist on father

heroes such as Atticus Finch in To Kill A Mockingbird and George Bailey in It's A Wonderful Life to more complex characters such as Ted Kramer in Kramer vs. Kramer, Calvin Jarrett in Ordinary People, and Lester Burnham in American Beauty.

Perhaps the strongest lessons from movie fathers have to do with what to avoid: The family business (Don Vito Corleone in The Godfather), the dark side (Darth Vader in the Star Wars series), and winters spent in an empty resort (Jack Torrance in The Shining).

Some of the most positive models of fatherhood come from the world of professional sports. Wayne Gretzky's father Walter, for instance, is a tireless volunteer who can no longer remember his son's exploits. Louis John Sutter, the patriarch of the Sutter clan, proves that quantity and quality can coexist. Six of his sons and two of his grandsons played in the NHL, earning a total of six Stanley Cups — and counting.

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Eco friendly. Ideas that both your dad and the planet will love

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— a healthy planet. What
could be more meaningful and special than a gift that both your dad and the planet will love?

"Every day I work to help ensure that my kids will grow

up with a healthy planet," said Gerald Butts, president and CEO of World Wildlife Fund (WWF). "A gift that contributes to that would really make my day." To help

find the perfect planet-friendly ideas to get your creative juices flowing: An adoption: Present dad

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al booklet with a collector card and a \$30 tax receipt. More information is available online at wwfstore.ca.

Eco-breakfast in bed: Cook up a delicious locally-sourced or organic breakfast and serve it to dad in comfort and style. Or treat him to a dinner out on the town at a local restaurant that offers a range of delicious and eco-friendly dishes. Organic breakfast recipes can be found online at organicauthority.com/organic-food-

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Do-it-yourself recycled gifts: Make a father's day card or gift from recycled materials found around the house, or even in nature. Or you can look for a gently used gift from your favourite local vintage or antique shop. For great DIY eco gift ideas, check out everythingetsy. com/2011/09/25-handmadegifts-for-men-diy/.





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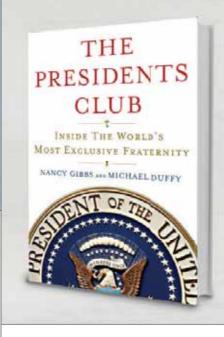
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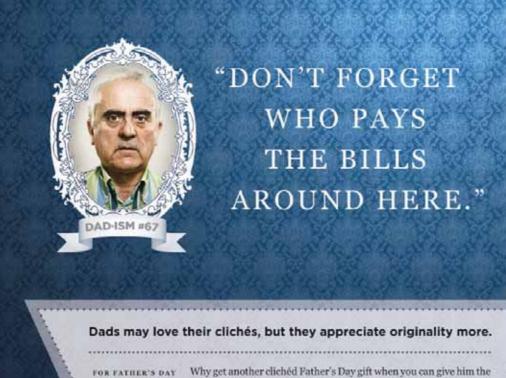
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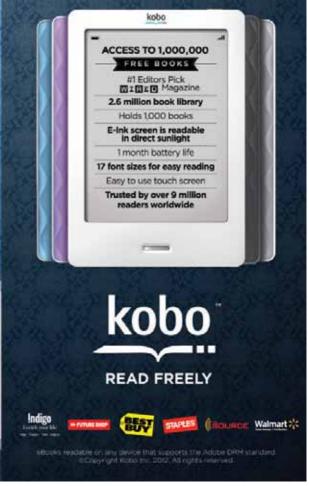
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lets dad read his eBooks on any eReader he darn well pleases. " Is that expecting too much? We don't think so, Like dad says, "If you can't do it right, don't do it at all." "Except the Kindle. Their choice, not ours. Sorry.





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Keeping your memories alive

Remembering. Plan a small tribute with siblings to honour your dad if he isn't around anymore

KELLY PUTTER

Dad may be gone but there are ways to honour his memory this Father's Day.

"Father's Day can be a real trigger for people," says Vancouver counselling therapist Glynis Sherwood. "Society really focuses on the celebration, but it can be a painful reminder that your father is no longer with you"

Celebrations like Father's Day can elicit anniversary grief. This reaction typically occurs on landmark dates such as the anniversary of a death. But it can also hit during happy festivities such as birthdays

If you are feeling vulnerable or you fear Father's Day could prompt depression, it's critical to make plans around this time, says Sherwood.

She recommends planning a small tribute with siblings to honour your father. Ask them to bring photos or videos of dad. Think about memorializing him by doing something he loved. If dad was a big walker, consider going on a hike. If gardening was his hobby, planting a tree in his name might help

Creating new rituals that pay tribute to dad is another way to salute his spirit. One of Sherwood's clients goes skiing every year with her adult children to honour her husband and their father, an avid skier.

Memorializing dad online is a great way to commemorate him. Consider creating a website with a montage of photos or perhaps a video set to music. A memorial page on Facebook is an option. This allows family and friends to view the tribute

and to potentially provide ongoing support.

If you prefer to acknowledge dad in a more quiet and reflective way, that's OK, too, says Sherwood.

"The important thing is what's going to help you," she says. "Some people do grieve very privately and there's nothing wrong with that unless it takes you to a dark place."

If dad is away due to

If dad is away due to a military assignment or other work commitments, there are options to mark Father's Day. Get in touch thanks to visual technology such as Skype. When it comes to communicating via email, send photos and videos.

"It's important to honour these milestones if they're meaningful to you," Sherwood says.

"And remember that you might feel lonely or worried because your husband or dad is in a dangerous situation but it's an opportunity for people to reach out and pull together."



Inspiration. Spend quality time with grandpa

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Every Mother's Day, we lavish our mothers and grandmothers with heartfelt cards and flowers, but when Father's Day rolls around, some don't even get a call. Though most men will often shrug that it's "no big deal," why not make things better this year?

Get inspired with some of

these gift ideas:

Quality time with you. Most grandfathers would prefer spending time with their loved ones to a cheesy joke card and No. 1 Grandpa tie. Tear out a page from your day planner and literally give your whole day to grandpa, participating in his favourite activities like fishing or birdwatching. Or buy tickets to watch a concert, movie, stand-up comic, or sports event together.

Donate in his honour. Show your appreciation to your grandfather and all the ways he helped to shape you into who you have become. Organizations like Christian Children's Fund of Canada (ccfcanada.ca) offer valuable gift items like fruit trees, mosquito nets, and clean water wells to help struggling families overseas. You can customize a card for your grandpa and show him how his generosity inspired you to help others.

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Put these ideas on front burner

Roundup. From a barbecue to tools, dad will be able to use these gifts throughout the year

With Father's Day just around the corner, choose gifts that he will use and love throughout the year. Take a look at this roundup of ideas in every price range:

A new barbecue — Did you know the latest models now come with accessories such as rotisserie kits and searing side burners? Look for a large cooking surface with enough BTUs to get your grate temperature up to 500 F to 600 F for optimal

meat cooking. Brands such as Hamilton Beach, Kenmore, Char-Broil, Broil King and Hamilton Beach are popular choices for everyday grilling. And don't forget the tongs, meat forks and other grill implements.

Cordless drill must-have for any doit-yourselfer dad. Look for a 19.2-volt size with a battery check function for light, powerful and reliable performance

Cordless auto hammer — The best have a pivoting head to get into the tightest spaces and a charging station, like the Craftsman Nextec, which offers an additional 30 minutes with just three minutes in the charging dock.

Lawnmower — If dad is still struggling with a pull-start lawnmower, give him the gift of time and reliability with a push-button start mower. Exclusive to Craftsman, the new EZ line of mowers have right and left hand controls, ergonomic handling to ease hand fatigue and one-hand bag removal features. With the yard looking great in no time he will have more time for grilling (or golf).

Tractor — For the dad with land, let him ride in style. Look for tractors with the latest "tight turn" tech-nology to get closer around trees and other obstacles so he will spend less time having to trim edges. The safest new tractors also have rearmounted engines that provide better visibility and sta-

More information and Father's Day gift ideas can be found online at sears.ca.

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Is your father caught in the Dark Ages?

Technophobes. Old-school ideas such as books, tickets or classes is right choice for some dads

Your dad doesn't own a cellphone, use email, or purchase items online.

He often sighs wistfully aloud, remembering "the way things were" and scoffing when you momentarily stop talking with him to check a text message. Your dad is a

technophobe and no matter how hard you try, he doesn't share your views on the conveniences of new gadgets and technology.

This Father's Day, instead of shelling out more cash on a new device he will never use, consider these ideas that will

bring him comfort instead of

• Books and magazines. Make note of novels, magazines, and series that dad enjoys and buy him the latest copy or a magazine subscription. If dad likes one author in particular, visit the author's website to see if they will be on tour for a reading or auto-

graph signing.
• Concert or sports tickets. will enjoy the quality time with you as much as he enjoys his favourite musician or sports team.

• Class enrolment. Has he expressed interest in learning how to fly a plane? Get him a flight simulation package or flying lessons. Does dad want to learn how to impress mom on the dance floor? Ballroom dance lessons for both should do the trick. Give the gift of learning so he can pick up a new skill.

• Charitable gift donation. If dad has everything he really needs, honour him by donating to a cause he is passionate about. Organizations like Christian Children's Fund of Canada offer practical gifts that save lives in developing countries, like a clean water well or mosquito nets that protect children from malaria. You can then personalize a card to show dad how he has helped others. NEWS CANADA



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Hey sport, how about playing catch

PETER DOYLI

With Father's Day fast approaching, the pressure is on to find a memorable gift. This year, instead of another tie or a bottle of single malt, find something that appeals to his inner sportsman.

The first step is to consider which sports interest

your dad: Does he play recreational hockey? Is he a golfer, a cross-country skier, a runner? There is a set of equipment and apparel for each sport.

Once you have chosen a sport, you will need to learn if there is something he needs. A little research will help: Get in touch with one of his teammates or buddies (e.g., tennis or golf partner).

While many men tend to buy what they want when they need it, most often settle for low- to medium-quality. This might give you an opportunity to go for the gold: Giving him something of a quality higher than he would buy for himself sends a clear message that you believe he is worth it.

If your dad is more fan than player, start by making a list of his favourite teams. Merchandising is the cash cow of professional sports and the array of team branded gear expands daily: From chairs and key chains to rubber ducks, and iPhone and iPod covers. Another option is to buy a television or Internet package so he can watch to his heart's content.

If your dad loves books, buy a large-format tome such as Sports Illustrated's The Baseball Book or The Hockey Book. If he is a serious reader, consider Stephen Brunt's Gretzky's Tears: Hockey, Canada and The Day Everything Changed, or Searching for Bobby Orr. A more sentimental choice is Fathers and Sons and Sports, a collection of short stories and reports from a long list of great writers.

If your father goes to the

gym regularly, consider a good quality bag for sports gear or toiletries. A few other ideas: A bike computer or pedometer, or camping gear, such as a headlamp or comfortable camp chair.

The best gift of all, of course, is the gift of time. So take your dad to a game, watch a sports-themed movie together or just play some catch in the backyard.





Wordle.net lets children stretch their imagination by thinking of expressive words that hest describe their dad convenience.

Crafts. Handmade gifts that are made from the heart

KELLY Putter

Nothing says you care quite like a personalized gift, so encourage kids to create their own mini masterpieces this Father's Day.

A perennial favourite is this tasty barbecue rub, says Oakville elementary school teacher Nina March. For this Emeril Lagasse recipe, combine 2½ tablespoons paprika with 2 tablespoons each of salt and garlic powder. Add 1 tablespoon each of black pepper, onion powder, cayenne powder, oregano and thyme and mix thoroughly. Pour into spice jars and you are good to go.

"Dads seem to like this gift so much that they often come back asking for the recipe year after year," says March, who has taught for 17 years. "When we do Father's Day gifts it reflects what kids think is important to their dads."

Coupon books are an inspired way to tell dad you love him. March encourages her students to design coupons that promise to make dad's life easier in some small way. Good options might be giving dad two hours of quiet time or assuring him you won't fight with your sibling at the dinner table.

Tech-savvy kids might enjoy this craft that fashions words into fun and funky artwork. Wordle.net lets children stretch their creative juices by thinking of expressive words that best describe dad. They might use dad, hockey, play and funny in their depiction. The website then spits out the words in different fonts, sizes and layouts. Print a copy and glue it onto construction paper. Children can make a puzzle-piece frame on card stock to complete the project.



One Great Dad, One Great Gift.















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"I can't think of any other course that really compares to it. Most places you try and get the fairways pretty flat when they're doing the design. But here, they seem to prefer the ball to land on one side of the fairway and run to the other."

Lee Westwood and other golfers preparing to play at Olympic Club for the U.S. Open have been debating whether the toughest stretch at Olympic was the opening six holes, or all gof them. About the only consensus was there won't be a repeat of the score Rory McIroy posted last year at Congressional — a record-shattering 16-under 268.

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On the web



A bottle of unopened Budweiser was delivered to the Los Angeles Kings dressing room the night they lost the 1993 Stanley Cup in Montreal. Scan the code to find out how, 19 years later, that a former athletic trainer and to drink that heer got to drink that beer from the Stanley Cup.

New doping charges 'baseless': Armstrong

Cycling. Seven-time Tour de France winner had hoped his fight to be viewed as a clean athlete was won

For Lance Armstrong, the doping allegations aren't going away. In fact, they're starting all over again.

The U.S. Anti-Doping gency has filed formal Agency charges against the seventime Tour de France winner, threatening to strip him of his victories in the storied cycling race.

Armstrong, who force-fully denied the accusations, could face a lifetime ban from the sport if he is found to have used performanceenhancing drugs. The move by USADA immediately bans him from competing in triathlons, which he turned to after he retired from cycling last vear.

Armstrong has dogged by doping allegations since his first Tour victory in 1999, but had hoped his fight to be viewed as a clean champion was finally won after U.S. federal prosecutors closed a two-year criminal probe in February without bringing any charges. Armstrong has said the investigation took a heavy emotional toll and he was relieved when it ended.

But USADA officials insisted they would continue to pursue their own probe into Armstrong and his for-mer teams and doctors, and notified him of the charges in a 15-page letter on Tues-day. Unlike federal prosecutors, USADA isn't burdened by proving a crime occurred, just that there was use of performance-enhancing drugs.

In its letter, USADA said its investigation included evi-



"I have never doped, and, unlike many of my accusers, I have competed as an endurance athlete for 25 years with no spike in performance, passed more than 500 drug tests and never failed one."

Lance Armstrong in a statement dismissing the allegations.

dence dating back to 1996. It also included the new charge that Armstrong blood samples taken in 2009 and 2010 "fully consistent with blood manipulation including EPO use and/or blood transfusions." Armstrong Armstrong came out of his first retirement to race in the Tour de France those two years.

Armstrong, who was in France while training for a triathlon, issued a statement

dismissing the latest allegations as "baseless" and "motivated by spite.'

Even though he last won the Tour seven years ago, the 40-year-old Armstrong remains a popular — if polariz-ing — figure, partly because of his charity work for can-

of which was obtained by The Associated Press, accuses Armstrong of using and pro-

moting the use of the blood booster EPO, blood transfusions, testosterone, human growth hormone and anti-inflammatory steroids. The letter doesn't cite specific examples, but says the charges are based on evidence gathered in an investigation of Armstrong's teams, including interviews with witnesses who aren't named.

According to USADA's letter, more than 10 cyclists, as well as team employees, will testify they either saw Armstrong dope or heard him tell them he used EPO, blood transfusions, testosterone and cortisone from 1996 to 2005. Armstrong won the Tour de France every year from 1999 to 2005.

Olympics

Canadian expects to go to London despite head injury

Canadian diving star Alexandre Despatie is expected to compete at the Olympics in London despite a deep cut to his head from a diving accident.

The 27-year-old from Laval, Que., was training in Spain when he struck his head on the board full force Tuesday afternoon.



Nestor and Raonic lead tennis team

Olympic gold medallist Daniel Nestor and singles star Milos Raonic will lead Canada's tennis team at the London Olympics. Nestor, Vasek Pospisil, Raonic and Aleksandra Wozniak were nominated for selection to Canada's Olympic team for London on Wednesday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Olympics

Feds support Munich tribute

The federal government has unanimously supported an international movement to honour the 11 Israelis slain at the 1972 Olympics.

The International Olympic Committee has refused requests to hold a special tribute at the London opening ceremonies, 40 years after the Israeli athletes were killed by Palestinian gunmen at the Munich Games.

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German win has the **Dutch facing early exit**



fight for the ball during a Euro 2012 Group B match on Wednesday in rkov, Ukraine. Lars Baron/Getty Images

Euro 2012. Gomez nets two first-half goals as Germans sit atop tough Group B

Mario Gomez left the Netherlands on the brink of elimination from the European Championship, scoring both goals in Germany's 2-1 win Wednesday over one of its historic rivals.

Gomez scored both in the first half of one of the most anticipated showdowns of

the tournament.

Robin van Persie pulled one back for the Netherlands in the second half but the defeat leaves the 2010 World Cup runner-up dangerously close to going home.

"Early on we had decent chances but the German goals came out of nowhere," Netherlands coach Bert van Marwijk said.

"We defended badly. Our offence and defence did not connect.

"Germany really has an excellent team. It has power,

"We had imagined all of this very differently."

Netherlands captain Mark van Bommel

creativity and scoring."

Germany, a three-time European champion, has six points from two wins but is still not sure of advancing from Group B, where three teams could end up with six points. Earlier, Portugal beat Denmark 3-2.

"We've taken a major step and opened the door to the quarter-finals," Germany Joachim Loew said. "Now we have our destiny in our own hands against Denmark.'

The Netherlands, along with Germany, is considered one of the favourites but was drawn into a tough group. It now has lost both group games and needs to beat Portugal to have a hope. Germany will need only a draw against Denmark to win the

"The time just wouldn't pass, it remained standing (at the end of match)," said Gomez, who also scored the only goal in Germany's opening 1-0 win over Portugal. "They were pressing. It was close until the end but with Manuel Neuer in goal we can be a bit more relaxed.

"The expectations were great from our team even before the tournament and we've won six points against two classy teams, but it's a long way to the final.

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87th minute. Varela's late goal propels Portugal to victory over Denmark

Underperforming Portugal finally got a win. Underperforming Cristiano Ronaldo wasn't much help.

After a miserable run of four games without a victory and only one goal scored, the Portuguese came through with an 87th-minute goal from sub-stitute Silvestre Varela to beat Denmark 3-2 in Group B of the European Championship.

Portugal also got first-half goals from Pepe and Helder Postiga. The Danes replied with a pair of goals from Nicklas Bendtner. The Denmark striker found the target just before halftime and then made it 2-2

Ronaldo, facing a compact

All four teams in Group B can still advance to the quarter-finals.

Germany leads the aroup with six points while both Portugal and Denmark have three. The Netherlands has zero.

Danish defence that denied the Netherlands a goal in their opening win, didn't even take a shot until the 18th minute. That one flew wide, and the forward threw his arms in the air. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Goal celebration

Ambush marketing could cost Bendtner

Nicklas Bendtner could face UEFA action for ambush marketing after he scored his second goal in Denmark's 3-2 loss against

Portugal.

Bendtner's celebration Wednesday including lift-ing his shirt and dropping his shorts slightly to reveal a gambling firm's name on his underpants.

The bookmaker later tweeted a photograph claiming that Bendtner was wearing his lucky underwear.

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Minnesota	25	36	.410	81/2
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(Hellickson 4-2), 1:10 p.m. Detroit (Verlander 5-4) at Chicago Cubs (T.Wood 0-2), 2:20 p.m. Oakland (J.Parker 2-3) at Colorado (White 2-4),

3:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Bedard 4-6) at Baltimore (Tom.Hunter 2-3), 7:05 p.m. Arizona (D.Hudson 2-1) at Texas (Feldman 0-5),

8:05 p.m. Milwaukee (Marcum 5-3) at Kansas City (Hochevar 3-7), 8:10 p.m. Philadelphia (Blanton 5-6) at Minnesota (Diamond 5-1), 8:10 p.m. Chicago White Sox (Floyd 4-6) at St. Louis (Westbrook 4-6), 8:15 p.m. San Diego (Volquez 2-6) at Seattle (Er.Ramirez 0-0), 10:10 p.m.

GOLF

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St. Louis	32	31	.508	3
Milwaukee	28	34	.452	61/2
Houston	26	35	.426	8
Chicago	21	41	.339	131/2
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Los Angeles	40	23	.635	_
San Francisco	35	27	.565	41/2
Arizona	30	32	.484	91/2
Colorado	24	37	.393	15
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WEEK TWO

Tuesday, June 19 Montreal at Toronto, 12 noon Wednesday, June 20 Hamilton at Winnipeg, 8 p.m. Thursday, June 21 B.C. at Edmonton, 9 p.m. Friday June 22 Calgary at Saskatchewan, 9 p.m.

TENNIS

ATP AEGON CHAMPIONSHIPS At London

Wednesday's results

Singles — First Round
Tatsuma Ito, Japan, def. Paolo Lorenzi, Italy,
7-6 (6), 4-6, 6-2. Second Round

Nicolas Mahut, France, def. Andy Murray (1),

Britain, 6-3, 6-7 (4), 7-6 (1). Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (2), France, def. Jamie Baker, Britain, 6-3, 6-2.

Janko Tipsarevic (3), Serbia, def. Ryan Sweeting, U.S., 6-1, 7-6 (2)

France, 4-6, 6-3, 7-6 (2). Feliciano Lopez (5), Spain, def. Steve Darcis.

Belgium, 6-3, 3-6, 7-5.

Marin Cilic (6), Croatia, def. Matthew Ebden,
Australia, 6-2, 6-1.

Edouard Roger-Vasselin, France, def. Andy Roddick (7), U.S., 6-4, 4-6, 7-5.

Julien Benneteau (8), France, def. Tatsuma, Ito, Japan, 5-7, 6-4, 7-5. Kevin Anderson (9), South Africa, def. Sergiy Stakhovsky, Ukraine, 7-6 (5), 2-6, 3-4 (retired).

David Nalbandian (10), Argentina, def. Ruben Bemelmans, Belgium, 6-4, 6-2. Lukas Rosol, Czech Republic, def. Marcos Baghdatis (11), Cyprus, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4.

Baghdatis (11), Cyprus, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4. Sam Querrey, U.S., def. Denis Istomin (12), Uzbekistan, 7-6 (4), 6-3. Xavier Malisse, Belgium, def. Alex Bogomolov Jr. (13), Russia, 6-3, 4-6, 6-0. Grigor Dimitrov, Bulgaria, def. Gilles Muller (14),

Luxembourg, 7-6 (1), 6-4.
Ivan Dodig, Croatia, def. Go Soeda (15), Japan, 6-3, 7-6 (3). Yen-hsun Lu, Taiwan, def. Ivo Karlovic (16),

Croatia, 6-7 (3), 7-6 (6), 7-6 (7)

WTA AEGON CLASSIC

At Birmingham, England Wednesday's results Singles — First Round

Hsieh Su-wei (13), Taiwan, def. Vera Dushevina, Russia, 4-6, 7-6 (5), 6-4. Timea Babos (14), Hungary, def. Alison Riske,

U.S., 6-4, 4-6, 7-6 (2). Elena Baltacha (15), Britain, def. Chang Kai-

chen, Taiwan, 4-6, 6-4, 7-5. Alexandra Panova, Russia, def. **Stephanie Dubois, Laval, Que.**, 6-7 (2), 6-1, 7-5. Second Round

Misaki Doi, Japan, def. Francesca Schiavone (1), Italy, 7-5, 6-4. Urszula Radwanska, Poland, def. Sabine Lisicki (2), Germany, 6-3, 6-4.

Melinda Czink, Hungary, def. Daniela Hantuchova (3), Slovakia, 7-5, 7-6 (5). Roberta Vinci (4), Italy, def. Virginie Razzano,

France, 6-3 (retired). Jelena Jankovic (5), Serbia, def. Melanie South, Britain, 6-1, 7-6 (3).

Andrea Hlavackova, Czech Republic, def. Mona Barthel (6), Germany, 7-6 (5), 6-2. Ekaterina Makarova (8), Russia, def. Sesil Karatantcheva, Kazakhstan, 7-6 (4), 6-3. Marina Erakovic (9), New Zealand, def. Laura Robson Britain 6-4 3-6 6-4

Elena Vesnina, Russia, def. Christina McHale (10), U.S., 6-1, 1-6, 7-5. Hsieh Su-wei (13), Taiwan, def. Alexandra

Panova Russia 6-4 6-2 Irina Falconi, U.S., def. Timea Babos (14), Hungary, 6-0, 6-4.

Heather Watson, Britain, def. Elena Baltacha (15) Britain, 7-6 (5), 6-3

Casey Dellacqua, Australia, def. Tara Moore, Britain, 4-6, 6-4, 6-1.

Zheng Jie, China, def. Anne Keothavong, Britain, 6-3, 6-4.

Stephanie Foretz Gacon, France, def. Anastasia Rodionova, Australia, 7-5, 6-2,

ATP GERRY WEBER OPEN

At Halle, Germany Wednesday's results

Singles — Second Round

Singles — Second Round
Tomas Berdych (3), Czech Republic, def. Viktor Troicki, Serbia, 6-3, 6-2.
Mikhail Youzhny, Russia, def. Alexandr Dolgopolov (4), Ukraine, 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.
Milos Raonic (5), Thomhill, Ont., def. Zhang
Ze, China, 6-1, 6-1.

Radek Stepanek, Czech Republic, def. Cedrik-Marcel Stebe, Germany, 6-4, 6-4. **Doubles — Quarter-finals**

Aisam-ul-Haq Qureshi, Pakistan, and Jean-Julien Rojer (1), Netherlands, def. Johan Brun-strom, Sweden, and Philipp Marx, Germany, 7-6 (7), 6-7 (1), 10-7 (tiebreak).

WTA GASTEIN LADIES

At Bad Gastein, Austria Wednesday's results Singles — First Round

Singles — First Round
Ksenia Pervak (3), Kazakhstan, def. Lara
Arruabarrena-Vecino, Spain, 3-6, 6-3, 7-6 (3).
Yvonne Meusburger, Austria, def. Petra Martic
(5), Croatia, 6-1, 4-6, 7-6 (5).
Irina-Camelia Begu (6), Romania, def. Kathrin
Woerle, Germany, 7-5, 1-6, 6-3.
Johanna Larsson (8), Sweden, def. Jana
Cepelova, Slovakia, 6-4, 7-6 (1).
Jill Craybas, U.S., def. Nina Bratchikova, Russia,
7-5, 6-4

Dia Evtimova, Bulgaria, def. Barbara Haas,

NBA PLAYOFFS

THE FINALS

(Best of 7) All Times Eastern OKLAHOMA CITY (W2) VS. MIAMI (E2) (Oklahoma City leads series 1-0) Tuesday's result

Oklahoma City 105 Miami 94 Miami at Oklahoma City, 9 p.m. Sunday's game Oklahoma City at Miami, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, June 19 Oklahoma City at Miami, 9 p.m.

Thursday, June 21 x-Oklahoma City at Miami, 9 p.m. Sunday, June 24 x-Miami at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, June 26 x-Miami at Oklahoma City, 9 p.m. x — played only if necessary.

TRANSACTIONS

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE

TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Placed RHP Brandon Morrow on the 15-day DL, retroactive to June 12. Recalled INF Yan Gomes from Las Vegas (PCL)

NHL

MONTREAL CANADIENS — Named Sylvain Lefebyre coach of Hamilton (AHL). ST. LOUIS BLUES — Named Dave Allison coach of Peoria (AHL). WINNIPEG JETS — Agreed to terms with F

Jim Slater.

MLS

LEAGUE OFFICE — Suspended San Jose G Jon Busch one game and fined him an undisclosed amount for aggressively retrieving a ball in the fourth minute of second-half stoppage time during the May 27 game at Sporting Kansas City

SOCCER

WORLD CUP QUALIFYING

NORTH, CENTRAL AND CARIBBEAN ZONE GROUP A

U.S.

GP W D L GF GA Pt
2 1 1 0 4 2 4
2 1 1 1 0 2 1 4
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2 0 1 1 1 3 3 1 Jamaica Guatemala Antiqua Tuesday's results At St. John's, Antigua Antigua 0 Jamaica 0 At Guatemala City Guatemala 1 U.S. 1 Friday, Sept. 7
Guatemala vs. Antigua

Jamaica vs. U.S.

GP W D L GF GA Pt
2 2 0 0 0 5 2 6
2 1 1 0 6 2 4
2 0 1 1 3 4 1 Costa Rica FI Salvador Guvana

Tuesday's results At San Salvador, El Salvador Movico 2 Fl Salvador 1 At Georgetown, Guyana Costa Rica 4 Guyana 0 Friday, Sept. 7 Costa Rica vs. Mexico

El Salvador vs. Guyana GROUP C GP W D L GF GA
2 2 0 0 3 0
2 1 1 0 1 0
2 0 1 1 0 2
2 0 0 2 0 2

Canada Honduras Cuba Tuesday's results At Toronto
Canada O Honduras O
At Panama City Panama 1 Cuba 0 Friday, Sept. 7 Canada vs. Panama Cuba vs. Honduras

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	VV	L	- 1	GF	GA	P
D.C. United	15	8	4	3	28	19	2
New York	13	8	3	2	26	18	2
Kansas City	12	8	3	1	17	10	2
Columbus	12	5	4	3	13	13	1
Chicago	13	5	5	3	15	17	1
Houston	12	4	4	4	13	15	1
New England	13	5	7	1	18	18	1
Montreal	13	3	7	3	15	21	1
Philadelphia	11	2	7	2	8	14	
Toronto	10	1	9	0	8	21	

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	Т	GF	GΑ	Pt
Real Salt Lake	14	9	3	2	22	14	29
San Jose	14	8	3	3	27	17	27
Seattle	13	7	3	3	16	9	24
Vancouver	13	6	3	4	16	15	22
Colorado	13	6	6	1	20	18	19
Chivas USA	13	4	6	3	9	14	15
Portland	12	3	5	4	12	15	13
Dallas	15	3	8	4	15	24	13
Los Angeles	13	3	8	2	15	21	11

Saturday's games All Times Eastern

All Times Eastern
Dallas at Houston, 5 p.m.
Colorado at Vancouver, 7 p.m.
D.C. United at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Seattle at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.
Columbus at New England, 7:30 p.m.
Tecepte at Vance City, 9:20 p.m. Toronto at Kansas City, 8:30 p.m. Real Salt Lake at Chivas USA, 10:30 p.m.

Sunday's games New York at Chicago, 5 p.m. Portland at Los Angeles, 8 p.m

EURO 2012 FIRST ROUND **GROUP A**

GP W D L GF GA PTS
2 1 1 0 5 2 4
2 1 0 1 3 5 3 Czech Republic Poland 2 0 2 0 Greece Tuesday's results At Wroclaw, Poland Czech Republic 2 Greece 1 At Warsaw, Poland Poland 1 Russia 1 Saturday's games At Warsaw, Poland Greece vs. Russia, 2:45 p.m. At Wroclaw, Poland Czech Republic vs. Poland, 2:45 p.m.

GROUP R

Germany 2 2 0 0 3 2 1 0 1 3 Portugal Denmark Netherlands Wednesday's results At Lviv. Ukraine Germany 2 Netherlands 1 Sunday's games At Kharkiv, Ukraine Portugal vs. Netherlands, 2:45 p.m. At Lviv, Ukraine Denmark vs. Germany, 2:45 n.m.

GROUP C

GP W D L GF GA PTS 1 1 0 0 3 1 1 0 1 0 1 1 Croatia Spain Ireland Sunday's results

At Gdansk, Poland Spain 1 Italy 1 At Poznan, Poland Croatia 3 Ireland 1 Thursday's gam At Poznan, Poland Italy vs. Croatia, 12 noon At Gdansk, Poland Spain vs. Ireland, 2:45 n.m.

GROUP D GP W D L GF GA PTS Ukraine

1 1 0 0 1 0 1 0 England France 0 1 0 Sweden 1 0 0 1 1 Monday's results At Donetsk, Ukraine France 1 England 1

At Kiev, Ukraine Ukraine 2 Sweden 1 Friday's games At Kiev, Ukraine Sweden vs. England, 12 noon At Donetsk, Ukraine

Ukraine vs. France, 2:45 p.m. NASL

GP W L T GF GA 10 6 2 2 19 7 10 5 1 4 14 9 10 4 1 5 15 13 11 3 4 4 15 18 11 3 5 3 11 15 10 3 5 2 11 10 11 2 4 5 18 20 11 1 5 5 11 22 20 19 17 13 12 11 11 8 Carolina Atlanta

Saturday's games — All Times Easter Carolina at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m. Edmonton at Fort Lauderdale, 7:30 p.m. All Times Easterr San Antonio at Puerto Rico, 7:30 p.m. Tampa Bay at Minnesota, 8:30 p.m.



Across

- 1 Venomous snakes
- "The A-Team" actor
- 8 Borders
- 12 Beehive State
- 13 de cologne
- 14 Sandwich cookie
- 15 Easy gait
- 16 Clever plan
- 18 Snow White's allies
- 20 Melee
- 21 Land map
- 23 Set of parts
- 24 Poker hand
- 28 Prevalent
- 31 Have bills
- 32 Prepare to drive 34 Neither's mate
- 35 Luxurious
- 37 Alien
- 39 Also
- 41 Opposed
- 42 Handy 45 Vessel for boiling
- 49 Noncommittal position
- 51 Teeny amount
- 52 Noble
- 53 Festive
- 54 Pressing need?
- 55 Argument
- 56 Type units
- 57 Albacore, e.g.

Down

- "— Lang Syne"
- 2 Pack cargo
- 3 One of the Three Bears
- 4 Himalavan quide
- 5 Some notes 6 Snitch
- 7 Surf and -
- 8 Pompous talk
- 9 Putting up
- 10 Grand-scale prefix
- 11 Beans used in miso 17 Noah's boat
- 19 Move like a moth
- 22 Eighth Greek letter 24 Bribe
- 25 Pair
- 26 Roadside stop
- 27 Jailers
- 29 Enemy
- 30 Blunder 33 Liver spread
- 36 Capital of Tasmania
- 38 Fool
- 40 Ancient
- 42 Mail-truck abbr.
- 43 Dance lesson
- 44 Rim
- 46 From one end to t'other
- 47 "The King" 48 Sicilian volcano

15 16 18 19 24 25 26 35 43 46 54

50 Fugitive's flight

	9	6	1					
7				8				9
				4				1
2		8			3		9	
6	5						8	7
	4		2			6		5
8				6				
5				1				3
					9	7	5	

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

6	1	5	9	8	7	4	3	2
U.	3	7	4	6	2	1	5	9
2	4	9	1	3	5	7	6	1
5	7	6	2	1	B	9	4	4
1	9	8.	6	4	3	5	2	7
4	2	3	5	7	9	6	8	1
7	8	1	3	5	4	2	9	1
3			7				1	
0	6	4	ā	2	1	0	7	5

Yesterday's Sudoku

This is a substitution cipher where one letter stands for another. Eg: If X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. IDJHNGIIO JPCOI YPSI ONDI WIXWIOZTKM

EWTKSTKM QWIPS XHCTET Saturday's Cryptoquip: THE PASTOR ALWAYS SAVED SOME ROOM FOR WHAT HAD BECOME HIS FAVORITE DESSERT, PREACH MELBA. Today's Cryptoquip Clue: X equals F

OTJO NX ONEP, DTMZY YZIG



For today's crossword answers and for expanded horoscopes, go to metronews.ca



Aries | March 21 - April 20.

You'll hear what you want to hear today and ignore anything that does not fit in with your preconceived ideas. But why limit your thinking?

Taurus | April 21 - May 21.

Don't worry if you're not doing much on a practical level because this is a ne for thinking and planning.

II Gemini | May 22 - June

20. This could be a stressful day, especially where relationships are concerned. Misunderstandings are likely but how you let them affect u is a matter of choice.

Gancer | June 21 - July 22.

When the pressure gets to be too much, you can get emotional. The planets warn that a small emotional explosion is likely today. But it's better than a big one later!

Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22. It's not like you to be emotionally distant but something has annoved you and now you are keeping your distance om certain people. It'll pass.

W Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22. Try

not to make promises you may not be able to keep today because if you let people down, they won't be too ov about it

<u>Libra</u> | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22.

Others are unlikely to react well if you are critical of their efforts today. They may be doing it wrong, but pointing out their faults and failings 't likely to endear you to them.

M Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21.

One moment you are too generous and the next you are too tough. It may be a reaction to other people's inconsistencies.

⁷ Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec.

21. Colleagues and employers will look kindly on you today, so if there is anything you want from them now

puld be a good time to ask. Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan 20.

You seem concerned with personal relationships at the moment but until the Sun moves into your oppos ite sign on the 20th, you won't be able to change much for the better.

🗻 Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb 18. If you are not enjoying what you are working on then it's pretty obvious

are working on the wrong thing. H Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20.

You may be eager to show the world what you can do but if you are smart you'll hold off for a while. The Sun moves in your favour next week. SALLY BROMPTON



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"Mom was right when she said ballet classes would be worth it one day."

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